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Dear Ms. France and Mr. McGrath:

This correspondence and the accompanying records constitute the Departmental FOIA Office's (DFO) **first interim** response to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request submitted by American Oversight on September 4, 2018.

This interim response also responds to the matter of *American Oversight v. U.S. Department of Agriculture*, Civil Action No. 1:19-cv-00652 currently pending in the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia.

The pending Complaint in the above-referenced matter is based on USDA's alleged failure to comply with the applicable time-limit provisions of the FOIA in response to American Oversight's three records request for communications between USDA officials and various industry groups or lobbyists representing them. One of those three records requests were assigned 2018-OSEC-05938-F and sought:

All email communications sent by Rebeckah Adcock to external entities or individuals with email addresses ending in .org, .com or .net. Please provide all responsive records from April 1, 2017, to November 15, 2017.

Below are the details regarding the DFO's search efforts for 2018-OSEC-05938-F, records found in connection with the search, and a description of the FOIA exemptions applied to select records.

Search Efforts

A search for responsive records was conducted by the Office of the Chief Information Officer's (OCIO) telecommunications provider, Client Experience Center (CEC). The CEC performs network services for the OCIO to include electronic messaging operations, electronic calendars, blackberry, mobile device

management (MDM), file and print, remote access, voice, network, service desk, and other application services. The CEC searched the Outlook account associated with Rebeckah Adcock from April 1, 2017 to November 15, 2017. This interim includes a total of six hundred and forty-nine (649) pages from CEC's search. The DFO will continue to review the remaining potentially responsive records from CEC's search.

Following a review of the responsive records, the DFO determined that certain information contained therein should be withheld pursuant to 5 U.S.C. §552(b)(6). Below is an explanation of the information withheld.

Application of 5 U.S.C. §552(b)(6) "FOIA Exemption 6"

FOIA Exemption 6 permits the government to withhold information regarding individuals in "personnel and medical files and similar files" when the disclosure of such information would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy and where such privacy interests outweigh any public interest which would be advanced by disclosure. For purposes of the FOIA, the public interest is advanced when disclosure of the requested information educates the public about the activities of the government.

Portions of the records produced as a result of the CEC's search efforts were withheld under FOIA Exemption 6. These items include cellular phone numbers, direct office numbers, certain email addresses, conference call access codes, home addresses, details about individuals' family members, and information related to potential job candidates. This information qualifies as "similar files" because it applies to particular individuals. Release of the cell phone numbers and personal email addresses could subject the individuals to unwarranted or unsolicited communications. As for the conference call access codes, participants have a privacy interest in ensuring no uninvited individual is listening in on the call. With regard to the other items, all are purely personal in nature and also do not advance one's understanding of the government's operations.

Because there is a viable privacy interest that would be threatened by disclosure, and no outweighing public interest to be advanced by disclosure, FOIA Exemption 6 authorizes the DFO to withhold the information.

The DFO's review of responsive records is ongoing. In light of the matter *American Oversight v. U.S. Department of Agriculture*, Civil Action No. 1:19-cv-00652 currently pending in the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, administrative appeal rights are not being provided in this response letter.

If you have any questions or concerns about this interim response or the pending civil action, please contact Ms. Marsha Yee, Assistant United States Attorney, U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Division at (202) 252-2539 or Marsha.Yee@usdoj.gov.

Sincerely,

Alexis Graves

Alexis Graves
Departmental FOIA Officer
Office of the Chief Information Officer

Enclosure: Responsive Records (649 pages)

Copies to:

Marsha Yee, Assistant United States Attorney, U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Division
Christopher Elmore, Senior Counsel, U.S. Department of Agriculture, General Law and
Research Division

From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Don Parrish](#)
Bcc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Re:
Date: Tuesday, September 19, 2017 3:41:08 PM

Tonight

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Sep 19, 2017, at 3:07 PM, Don Parrish (b) (6) [@fb.org](#) wrote:

We should visit when you get a minute. Thanks

Don R Parrish
American Farm Bureau Federation®
202-406-3667

(b) (6) [@afb.org](#)

From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Constance Cullman](#)
Subject: RE:
Date: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 5:17:51 PM

10-4 will text you when leaving USDA

From: Constance Cullman [mailto:(b) (6)@farmfoundation.org]
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 4:21 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re:

(b) (6)

Sent from my BlackBerry Smartphone on the Verizon 4G LTE Network

From: Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov
Sent: May 23, 2017 2:28 PM
To: (b) (6)@farmfoundation.org
Subject: RE:

(b) (6)

Are you here and if so where? I aim to try to leave USDA by 6:30

From: Constance Cullman [mailto:(b) (6)@farmfoundation.org]
Sent: Monday, May 22, 2017 7:50 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Tim P. Brennan (b) (6)@farmfoundation.org
Subject:

Hi Reba!

Attached is the invitation for the Secretary to our Round Table meeting next January. It would be great if he could attend. Thank you for offering to share it at the scheduling meeting tomorrow.

Also – I will see you tomorrow. What time do you normally get home? I will head there when you do. ☺

See you soon!

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Constance Cullman](#)
Subject: Re:
Date: Friday, May 12, 2017 8:41:42 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Oh! Thought you were sending a bio for your meeting. It is simply painful to see my life in print...that's the introvert rising up.

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On May 11, 2017, at 8:57 PM, Constance Cullman (b) (6) [@farmfoundation.org](mailto:(b) (6)@farmfoundation.org)> wrote:

Silly. This was the AgriPulse blurb on you. I will use it though if you like it!

Sent from my BlackBerry Smartphone on the Verizon 4G LTE Network

From: Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov
Sent: May 11, 2017 6:38 PM
To: (b) (6) [@farmfoundation.org](mailto:(b) (6)@farmfoundation.org)
Subject: RE:

I assume you wrote that? Looks fine to me. Man I need a new picture, haven't highlighted my hair in YEARS!

Adjusted the title, apparently there are levels of 'senior advisor' – who knew?

From: Constance Cullman [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\)@farmfoundation.org](mailto:(b) (6)@farmfoundation.org)]
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 7:26 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Fw:

Sent from my BlackBerry Smartphone on the Verizon 4G LTE Network

From: (b) (6) [@farmfoundation.org](mailto:(b) (6)@farmfoundation.org)
Sent: May 11, 2017 6:24 PM
To: (b) (6) [@farmfoundation.org](mailto:(b) (6)@farmfoundation.org)
Subject:

Rebeckah Adcock, Senior Advisor to the Secretary

An environmental scientist and licensed attorney, Adcock attended the University of Tennessee, Knoxville as an undergraduate and later obtained her J.D. from the University of Kentucky College of Law. Shortly after graduation, she joined the Kentucky Farm Bureau as its director of natural resources. That work led to a job with the American Farm Bureau in Washington in 2002,

where she handled environmental and regulatory issues for the nation's largest farm group.

<image001.png>

In 2008, she was selected as counsel to the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works and two years later, joined CropLife America as senior director of government relations. She has previously served on EPA's Pesticide Program Dialogue Committee and has chaired the Pesticide Policy Coalition.

Adcock is no stranger to the Trump agenda. She was active during the presidential campaign, serving on the Trump Agricultural Advisory Team and, in at least one debate that was organized by CropLife, served as a spokesperson for the campaign.

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To: [Steve Kopperud](#)
Bcc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Re: [CAUTION: Suspicious Link]FW: Some time?
Date: Monday, September 18, 2017 12:22:03 PM

Will need to bump to October. What does the first week look like for you?

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Sep 18, 2017, at 8:38 AM, Steve Kopperud [\(b\) \(6\)@slkstrategies.com](#) wrote:

R – I'm on the road and out of the country 9/21-9/26, so I understand crazy schedules...
 how do 9/27 or 9/28 work? SteveK

Steve Kopperud
 Principal
 SLK Strategies
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 Washington, DC 20005

[\(b\) \(6\)@slkstrategies.com](#)

202-568-6991 (work)

[\(b\) \(6\)](#) (cell)

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
[\[mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov\]](mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov)
Sent: Friday, September 15, 2017 5:56 PM
To: Steve Kopperud [\(b\) \(6\)@slkstrategies.com](#)>
Subject: RE: [CAUTION: Suspicious Link]FW: Some time?

Next week is crazy but I will see if I can find time later in the week.

From: Steve Kopperud [\[mailto:\(b\) \(6\)@slkstrategies.com\]](#)
Sent: Friday, September 15, 2017 2:13 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
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Just making sure you saw this plea...have a great weekend

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Subject: Some time?

Rebeckah – Do you have some time Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday next week for a follow-up visit? We're putting together some materials the Secretary requested, and I'll haul our FSMA expert along just for grins...Oh, and thank Mr. Perdue for the promo below...SteveK

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<http://www.thefencepost.com/news/perdue-talks-deregulation-to-national-farmers-union-members/>

Perdue talks deregulation to National Farmers Union members

The Hagstrom Report
September 12, 2017

[<image001.jpg>](#) The Hagstrom Report |

Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue addresses the National Farmers Union on Sept. 11 in Washington.

Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue devoted most of a speech to the National Farmers Union on Sept. 11 to his enthusiasm for deregulation.

At a session in the USDA Jefferson Auditorium, Perdue told the most Democratic-leaning of farm groups he is "happy" to serve a president who wants to deregulate the country.

Perdue said he was at a meeting with the American Feed Industry Association about the Food Safety Modernization Act, which is under control of the Food and Drug Administration. Perdue said he wished it was "under USDA" and, "we would have a different view of it."

"No one is against food safety," Perdue said, but the costs and regulations have to be weighed carefully.

He also pointed out some of the regulations that bother farmers the most do not come from USDA, but rather from other agencies such as the Environmental Protection Agency and the Army Corps of Engineers. He also noted he took Labor Secretary Alexander Acosta to one of the Washington restaurants owned by the North Dakota Farmers Union and lobbied him on the H-2A temporary visa program for foreign agricultural workers.

"Often regulations are written by attorneys who have never been on the farm," he said. "Farming is not a sterile business, it is a biologically transformative business."

The Food Safety Modernization Act, he said, is like kudzu, the well-known invasive species in the South that "can grow everywhere." FSMA rules, he said, could end up involving "a lot of things that do not have to do with food safety."

Perdue said when he ran for governor of Georgia, he told people he was coming from the farm and agribusiness world with "boots, gloves and a shovel." He added he went to Washington to "shovel things out."

Perhaps aware that NFU members had a strong relationship with Tom Vilsack, the Agriculture secretary under President Barack Obama, and often disagreed with Republican administrations, Perdue said he is aware he and NFU "won't agree on everything," but he has a "passionate vision" of USDA to be the most efficient and best managed agency in the federal government, and he believes a good leader has a vision, "but keeps the back door open for a better idea."

The 300 NFU members in Washington for a fly-in on the farm bill gave Perdue the usual standing ovation agriculture secretaries get from farmers and ranchers.

Asked for his reaction to Perdue's speech, NFU President Roger Johnson told The Hagstrom Report his members are not as concerned about deregulation as they are about losing health care and passing a good farm bill that maintains renewable energy programs.

Renewable energy is not only important for the environment, Johnson said, but "incredibly important for rural development."

Johnson said he was impressed by a speech earlier that morning by Anne Hazlett, Perdue's assistant for rural development. That speech, he said, "could have been written by one of our members."

Currently Perdue is the only Senate-confirmed official at USDA, which Johnson said means he can't "dig deeper" into policy until he has a bigger staff.

"I feel sorry for the secretary because he is running the whole show," Johnson said.

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To: [Larry Pearce](#)
Cc: [Rollins, Blake - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: RE: [CAUTION: Suspicious Link]Re: REMINDER: Friday's GBC Monthly Conference Call
Date: Wednesday, May 17, 2017 9:23:17 AM

Thanks for the follow up, Larry. Good to speak with you this morning and we look forward to the call on Friday.

Rebeckah

From: Larry Pearce (b) (6) @governorscoalition.org]
Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2017 8:53 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Rollins, Blake - OSEC, Washington, DC <Blake.Rollins@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: [CAUTION: Suspicious Link]Re: REMINDER: Friday's GBC Monthly Conference Call

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Rebeckah—

Tired to call you this morning but none of your phone lines are taking messages. Can you or Blake please call me this morning. Welcome to call my cell:

(b) (6)

Thanks.

Larry

On May 16, 2017, at 10:26 AM, Larry Pearce (b) (6) @governorscoalition.org> wrote:

Rebeckah,
Here's the agenda for Friday's call. Talk to you this afternoon.

Larry

Sent from my iPad.

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May 16, 2017

To: State Representatives
 From: Larry Pearce, Executive Director
 Subject: **Monthly Conference Call Agenda**

The Coalition's monthly conference call is scheduled for this **Friday, May 19 at 10:00 a.m. CT (11:00 ET, 9:00 MT, and 8:00 PT)**. Please call **800-747-5150** and enter code **(b) (6)** to join the call. We will discuss the following topics during our call: ***White House Order on Promoting Agriculture and Rural Prosperity in America (April 25, 2017) and USDA Reorganization — Rebeckah Adcock & Blale Rollins, USDA***

- [Executive Order on Promoting Agriculture and Rural Prosperity in America](#)
- [Trump forms Interagency Task Force on agriculture and rural prosperity, *Biofuels Digest*](#)
- [New Executive Order Includes Renewable Fuels, *Ag Wired*](#)
- [USDA Announces Major Re-Organization of Rural, Trade, and Conservation Programs, *EESI*](#)

Update and Next Steps: Governors' Conference Call with EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt — Larry Pearce, Todd Sneller

- [Administrator Pruitt Follow Up Letter \(5-8-17\)](#)

EPA's Regulatory Reform Task Force Comments, Executive Order 13777 (59,670 comments filed) — Larry Pearce

- [GBC Comments on Executive Order 13777](#)

Washington Update — Doug Durante, Urban Air Initiative and Clean Fuels Development Coalition; Adam Gustafson and Andy Varcoe, Boyden Gray & Associates

- Legislative RVP Waiver
- Status of Reconsideration of Vehicle Fuel Efficiency Standards
- Possible Impact of Ruling on 2014-2016 Blending Targets

- [Next Steps for Ethanol Waiver. Politico](#)
- [Pruitt wants Brown 'at the table' for standards review. E&E](#)
- ['It's crazy. I'm with you on that.' judge says of RFS. E&E](#)

Pending Letters — *Larry Pearce*

- Welcome letters to new governors—Eric Greitens (Missouri), Eric Holcomb (Indiana), Doug Burgum (North Dakota former coalition member)

Next call 10:00 CT, 11:00 ET, and 8:00 PT Friday, June 16, 2017

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From: [Adcock, Rebecca - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Glick, Katie](#)
Cc: [Bechdol, Beth; Page, Tim A. - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: RE: [EXT] RE: URGENT - Your Assistance - Ice Miller Food/Ag Conference - Invitation to Speak - Oct. 10 - Indianapolis
Date: Monday, October 9, 2017 12:51:29 PM
Attachments: [Bla - R F Adcock 2017 FINAL.doc](#)

I will try to nab McKinney!

Bio attached.

From: Glick, Katie [\(b\) \(6\) \[REDACTED\]@icemiller.com](#)
Sent: Monday, October 9, 2017 12:42 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Bechdol, Beth [\(b\) \(6\) \[REDACTED\]@icemiller.com](#); Page, Tim A. - OSEC, Washington, DC <Tim.Page@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: [EXT] RE: URGENT - Your Assistance - Ice Miller Food/Ag Conference - Invitation to Speak - Oct. 10 - Indianapolis

Thank you for the quick response! I forgot about the holiday so I will tell our team to set-up as we are doing a video conference and we will wait to hear from your team in the morning and nail down final details.

Can you send me your bio please?

Also, we have asked Ted McKinney to join you so he can say hello to us all on his swearing-in day. He may be free at this time and could say hi at the start or sit with you for the entire time based on his availability. We would just need to know where you are so we can tell him.

Again, thank you very much!

Katie

Katie Glick
 Agribusiness Strategy Manager
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[\(b\) \(6\) \[REDACTED\]](#)

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC [<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>]
Sent: Monday, October 09, 2017 12:32 PM
To: Glick, Katie
Cc: Bechdol, Beth; Page, Tim A. - OSEC, Washington, DC
Subject: [EXT] RE: URGENT - Your Assistance - Ice Miller Food/Ag Conference - Invitation to Speak - Oct. 10 - Indianapolis

Katie – Our Communications team handles setting this up on our end and I am attempting to connect with the tech support to all your answers – note that today is a federal holiday so I am nearly only person in office...this may take until the am to get a solid answer.

As for seeing the audience, that is not critical unless it's just as easy to do.

Reb

From: Glick, Katie [\(b\) \(6\) \[REDACTED\]@icemiller.com](#)
Sent: Monday, October 9, 2017 12:25 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Bechdol, Beth [\(b\) \(6\) \[REDACTED\]@icemiller.com](#); Page, Tim A. - OSEC, Washington, DC <Tim.Page@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: URGENT - Your Assistance - Ice Miller Food/Ag Conference - Invitation to Speak - Oct. 10 - Indianapolis

Hi Rebeckah,

I wanted to follow-up and see what your IT team said about a video conference? The company we are using said they need to know the service you are using and if you will want to see the audience. Then they can work from there.

Thank you!

Katie

Katie Glick
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From: Glick, Katie
Sent: Sunday, October 08, 2017 12:53 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
Cc: Bechdol, Beth; Page, Tim A. - OSEC, Washington, DC
Subject: RE: URGENT - Your Assistance - Ice Miller Food/Ag Conference - Invitation to Speak - Oct. 10 - Indianapolis

Hi again Rebeckah,

I hope you've had a great weekend! We have worked on the agenda and heard from a fellow Hoosier who is willing to come back to Indiana and help us with our program as well. We would like to start the program at our original time at 1:30 with Beth introducing you followed by remarks from you for 15-20 minutes and then 10 minutes of questions from the audience until 2:00 p.m. Then Aaron will have a discussion with Beth for the remainder of our program.

Please let me know if that still works for you and what how your IT department handles these types of things. I can work on logistics with them and our team tomorrow.

Also, please send me your bio when you can as well. Thank you again for working with us!

Katie

Katie Glick
 Agribusiness Strategy Manager
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[\(b\) \(6\) \[REDACTED\]](#)

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC [<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>]
Sent: Friday, October 06, 2017 7:26 PM
To: Glick, Katie
Cc: Bechdol, Beth; Bonfittio, Jordan P. EOP/WHO; Starling, Ray A. EOP/WHO; Page, Tim A. - OSEC, Washington, DC
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] RE: [EXT] RE: URGENT - Your Assistance - Ice Miller Food/Ag Conference - Invitation to Speak - Oct. 10 - Indianapolis

I will hold that time and connect with our IT folks re possibilities on our end.

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Oct 6, 2017, at 6:40 PM, Glick, Katie [\(b\) \(6\) \[REDACTED\]@icemiller.com](#) wrote:

Hi Rebeckah,

Thank you for your work on this – we really appreciate it! And leave it up to our dear friend Ted for keeping everyone in DC!

We would really prefer to video conference with you to have a more engaging session and discussion with our audience. I know many of them are looking forward to hearing about the administration's priorities and work.
 I have a call into our AV guy to figure out how we set this up – hoping you can find a place at USDA for the video conference.

P(b) (6) 317-592-4778

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Rebeckah (Freeman) Adcock serves as a Senior Advisor to Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue. At the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), she manages and directly advises Secretary Perdue on many policy, regulatory, and operational matters. Rebeckah is also USDA's designated Regulatory Reform Officer (RRO), leading the effort to ease the burden of overregulation on the private sector. Additionally, under the Secretary's Chairmanship, Rebeckah serves as manager of the President's Interagency Task Force on Agriculture and Rural Prosperity.

Prior to joining USDA, Rebeckah was Senior Director in CropLife America's Government Affairs division. She handled government relations issues relating to water, domestic and international chemical laws, human health, and air quality. She also oversaw state affairs in the northeastern United States.

Rebeckah previously served as Counsel on the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works, for Ranking Member Senator Jim Inhofe. As Counsel, she gained extensive knowledge of environmental law and public policy as well as strong legislative and regulatory experience. Her portfolio included chemical and science policy, endangered species, property rights, and all water related issues.

Before going joining the Senate Committee, Rebeckah served as governmental relations director at the American Farm Bureau Federation in Washington, D.C. and Kentucky Farm Bureau Federation in Louisville where managed a wide variety of environmental policy issues. Rebeckah began her career as an environmental scientist for a private remediation consulting firm, where she worked for several years.

Rebeckah's service also includes the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Pesticide Policy Dialogue Committee, USDA's IR-4 Advisory Committee, and as an emeritus chair of the stakeholders' Pesticide Policy Coalition.

Rebeckah earned her undergraduate degree in environmental resource management from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville and her Juris Doctorate from the University of Kentucky College of Law in Lexington. She is a Kentucky native, a member of the Leadership Kentucky Class of 2000, and a member of the state's Bar Association.

From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Caroline Rydell](#)
Subject: Re: [External Email]
Date: Wednesday, July 19, 2017 10:54:28 AM

Lock in 10am- more to follow

Rebeckah Adcock
 Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

> On Jul 19, 2017, at 10:36 AM, Caroline Rydell (b) (6) @farmcreditbank.com> wrote:
 >
 > The best timeframe is morning between 9-10:30/11 on Wednesday, July 26.
 >
 > Issues -- Programs for Young, beginning and small farmers in particular -- these are borrowers and farmer/ranchers of a variety of crops/livestock so will be interested in crop insurance, commodity programs under FSA such as the loan programs, the farm bill process/implementation. Many of these folks will be traveling to Washington for the first time so just some simple history about the USDA, number of employees and breadth of jurisdiction will be of interest. There will be interest in rural development/rural community issues -- infrastructure is a big topic at moment.
 >
 > Let me know what additional information would be useful --thanks much.
 >
 > Caroline
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 > Caroline A. Rydell
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 > From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC [<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>]
 > Sent: Tuesday, July 18, 2017 5:41 PM
 > To: Caroline Rydell (b) (6) @farmcreditbank.com>
 > Subject: [External Email]Re: [External Email]
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 > Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov
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>> From: Caroline Rydell (b) (6) @farmcreditbank.com>

>> Date: June 26, 2017 at 3:13:06 PM EDT

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>> Subject: Fwd: [External Email]

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To: [Caroline Rydell](#)
Subject: RE: [External Email]Next Wed AND TUES event coordination
Date: Thursday, July 20, 2017 1:55:43 PM

Thanks much!

-----Original Message-----

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 Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2017 1:54 PM
 To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
 Cc: Caroline Rydell (b) (6) >
 Subject: Fwd: [External Email]Next Wed AND TUES event coordination
 Importance: High

Got it and I'll get you additional info tomorrow, if not today. Computer probs and our whole District system is down this morning!

Caroline A. Rydell
 Farm Credit Bank of Texas
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From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
 Date: July 19, 2017 at 5:09:49 PM EDT
 To: Caroline Rydell (b) (6)@farmcreditbank.com>
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Confirmed for 10 am here in the OSEC office, USDA Whitten Bldg, Rm 200A.

Let us know if you have an agenda you prefer we follow, and how many people are coming to ensure space.

Also, if you have any position papers to share, happy to make those available to all invited here at USDA.

AND, BIG AND, please confirm the topics that are of most interest the larger FC group lunch next Tues where the Secretary will be joining for brief remarks (I'll be briefing him for this one) and send along any policy papers etc that would be instructive.

THANKS!

Reb

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The best timeframe is morning between 9-10:30/11 on Wednesday, July 26.

Issues -- Programs for Young, beginning and small farmers in particular -- these are borrowers and farmer/ranchers of a variety of crops/livestock so will be interested in crop insurance, commodity programs under FSA such as the

loan programs, the farm bill process/implementation. Many of these folks will be traveling to Washington for the first time so just some simple history about the USDA, number of employees and breadth of jurisdiction will be of interest. There will be interest in rural development/rural community issues -- infrastructure is a big topic at moment.

Let me know what additional information would be useful --thanks much.

Caroline

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
 To: [Mesirow, Jenny](#)
 Subject: RE: [External Email]RE: Farm Credit Event Coordination for Sec. Perdue -- Tuesday at JWMarriott
 Date: Monday, July 24, 2017 12:21:14 PM

Thanks! Important to know.

-----Original Message-----

From: Mesirow, Jenny [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\) @fccouncil.com](#)]
 Sent: Monday, July 24, 2017 11:23 AM
 To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <[Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov](#)>
 Subject: Re: [External Email]RE: Farm Credit Event Coordination for Sec. Perdue -- Tuesday at JWMarriott

Yes, it's a coincidence but he gets that a lot.

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> On Jul 24, 2017, at 11:29 AM, Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <[Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov](#)> wrote:
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> Assuming the Jimmy Carter from GA is a coincidence, rather than former POTUS?

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> Curtis is from Kentucky and jimmy Carter is from Georgia.

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>> Thank you

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>> Which states do they represent?

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>> Sec Perdue likes to be able to connect personally :)

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 >> Morgan [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\) @fccouncil.com](#)]
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>> Hi Rebeckah,

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>> They do not have titles. They are Farm Credit Council board members but do not have official titles.

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>> Thanks,

>> Jenny

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>>> On Jul 24, 2017, at 11:10 AM, Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <[Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov](#)> wrote:

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>>> Titles for Mr Hancock and Carter?

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>>> Lunch starts at 12:15 PM. At 12:25 PM Curtis Hancock is doing a welcome and invocation, he will introduce Jimmy Carter who at 12:30 PM will introduce the Secretary. The Secretary will speak for as long as he is able. Lunch will be served immediately following the conclusion of his remarks.

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>>> Let us know if you need additional information-thanks.

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>>> Jenny, can you speak to press room and Q and A question?

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>>> Caroline

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>>> On Jul 24, 2017, at 10:18 AM, Caroline Rydell [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\) @farmcreditbank.com](#)] <[mailto:\(b\) \(6\) @farmcreditbank.com](#)> <[mailto:\(b\) \(6\) @farmcreditbank.com](#)>> wrote:

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>>> Luncheon agenda

>>> for tomorrow?!

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>>> Caroline A. Rydell

>>> Farm Credit Bank of Texas

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>>> From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC

>>> <[Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov](#)> <[mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov](#)>

>>> Date: July 24, 2017 at 10:07:18 AM EDT

>>> To: Caroline Rydell

>>> (b) (6) @farmcreditbank.com <[mailto:\(b\) \(6\) @farmcreditbank.com](#)>

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>>> Official Luncheon Agenda? - can't find in email. Buried.

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>>> From: Caroline Rydell [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\) @farmcreditbank.com](#)]

>>> Sent: Friday, July 21, 2017 1:21 PM

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>>> Rebeckah,

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>>> To assist with Secretary Perdue's remarks to Farm Credit's Week in Washington next week, we've attached a few items and included information below that will highlight the topics we will be discussing and the audience. We are expecting 630 attendees from all across the U.S. and Puerto Rico.

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To: [WHITESEL, AARON J.](#)
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Re: resume - Trump administration
Date: Thursday, July 27, 2017 12:17:15 PM

Received

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Jul 27, 2017, at 12:13 PM, WHITESEL, AARON J. <(b) (6)@dupont.com> wrote:

Rebeckah,

Could you forward to the right folks in the Administration?

Thanks

Aaron

From: (b) (6) [mailto:(b) (6)]
Sent: Thursday, July 27, 2017 11:50 AM
To: WHITESEL, AARON J. <(b) (6)@dupont.com>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: resume - Trump administration

Aaron,

While we have not met formally, I appreciate Wendelyn's virtual introduction. I have spent 18 years working across the Agency and spent most of my years at (b) (6). I would appreciate any opportunity to work under the Trump administration and hope you will keep me in mind for any openings that might arise.

Thank you for this consideration.

Best regards,

(b) (6)

On Tue, Mar 21, 2017 at 10:20 AM JONES, WENDELYN <(b) (6)@dupont.com> wrote:

Aaron,

Glad we got to visit briefly yesterday – and I look forward to connecting more

purposefully again soon.

I wanted to share a resume from (b) (6) for consideration for the Trump administration. I have known (b) (6) for years – first as a regulator and now as a consultant. She brings to the table deep technical knowledge, direct experience on how the EPA operates, as well as a breadth of understanding on policy areas – from pesticides to IRIS to water.

Thanks,
Wendelyn

Wendelyn Jones
Mobile: (b) (6)
email: (b) (6) @dupont.com

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To: [Amber Hanson](#)
Cc: [Young, Chris - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Re: [Possible Phished Email]Minnesota Farm Bureau
Date: Tuesday, August 29, 2017 4:11:25 PM

Hi, Amber!

On the 14th, some in OSEC may have travel with the Secretary, but I'm sure we can find folks here to meet with your impressive group. Give us a few days to figure out the moving target of travel and personnel and we'll get back to you re time.

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Aug 29, 2017, at 4:02 PM, Amber Hanson <(b) (6)@fbmn.org> wrote:

Rebeckah & Chris,

It was so nice meeting you in Minnesota at MN Farm Bureau President Kevin Paap's farm. I hope you enjoyed the rest of your road trip and it didn't entail too many more issues with that RV door!

President Paap and I will be bringing a group of 16 Minnesota Farm Bureau members to Washington DC in mid September. I am reaching out to see if either or both of you would be willing to meet with our group on Thursday, September 14. We can be very flexible on time, but I know our group would greatly benefit from hearing from you.

The group is primarily made up of young, female farmers from all over the state of Minnesota along with county leaders, a few MFBB Board members and staff.

Please let me know if this is something you would be interested and able to help make work!

Amber Hanson Glaeser
 Director of Public Policy
 Minnesota Farm Bureau
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Date: Friday, September 15, 2017 12:16:31 PM

Earl!

From: Amber Hanson [mailto:(b) (6)@fbmn.org]
Sent: Friday, September 15, 2017 12:14 PM
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Subject: [Possible Phished Email]Re: [Possible Phished Email]Re: At USDA today

Thanks again for your time today. Very important follow up question, what was the turkey's name?

----- Original message -----

From: "Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC" <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Date: 9/15/17 9:21 AM (GMT-05:00)
To: Kevin Paap <(b) (6)@fbmn.org>
Cc: Amber Hanson <(b) (6)@fbmn.org>
Subject: Re: [Possible Phished Email]Re: At USDA today

Awesome, just come to 200a and ask for me. Will be coming out of Flood meeting so will look forward to smiling familiar faces.

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

> On Sep 15, 2017, at 9:04 AM, Kevin Paap <(b) (6)@fbmn.org> wrote:

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> Perfect! We'll stop immediately after our 10:30 live. We have nothing after so we are able to wait as well.

>

> Sent from K Paap's iPhone

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>> On Sep 15, 2017, at 8:34 AM, Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

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>> If you are at USDA at 10:30, I can likely make that happen for at least a few mins -would love to see y'all! Tell me if that works? If so where to find you

>>

>> Rebeckah Adcock

>> Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

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>>> On Sep 15, 2017, at 8:30 AM, Kevin Paap <(b) (6)@fbmn.org> wrote:

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>>> That must mean you're traveling as well, great meeting there yesterday with Turner and Kristi. Wondering if Rebekah is available to stop and say hi?

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>>> Sent from K Paap's iPhone

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>>>> On Sep 15, 2017, at 8:22 AM, Young, Chris - OSEC, Washington, DC <Chris.Young@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

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>>>> That's awesome, Kevin.

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>>>> The Secretary is out touring storm damage in Georgia now, Florida later. Then on to Texas next week.

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>>>> There might not be lemonade yet ... not until the official name of the front porch is released. But I bet there will be popcorn.

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>>>> Subject: [Possible Phished Email]At USDA today

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>>>> Touching base, Amber Hanson and I will be at RFD-TV today at 10:30. Wondering if there will be lemonade available in the "front porch"? Kevin Paap, President MN Farm Bureau

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>>>> Sent from K Paap's iPhone

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To: [Larew Robert - FASContact](#)
Cc: [Leonard Johnson](#)
Bcc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Re: 8:30 am EDT, Tomorrow, Tues, Oct 16
Date: Monday, October 16, 2017 7:46:27 PM

Thank very much! I will be sure the Secretary is aware.

Rebeckah Adcock
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On Oct 16, 2017, at 7:45 PM, Rob Larew <(b) (6)@nfudc.org> wrote:

Rebeckah, I'm glad we connected by phone a minute ago.

Roger can be reached tomorrow morning at 8:30 at (b) (6).

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Sent: Monday, October 16, 2017 7:40:16 PM
To: Roger Johnson
Cc: Rob Larew
Subject: 8:30 am EDT, Tomorrow, Tues, Oct 16

Mr. Johnson:

Secretary Perdue would like to talk with you by phone tomorrow (TUES) morning on a timely matter. He is at the G7 meetings in Europe and has break in meetings at 8:30 am EDT - he plans to call you on your cell phone at that time.

Understanding that NFU is at a retreat today, I am hoping to confirm you received this message this evening and that are able to receive the Secretary's call tomorrow morning. I also left both you and Rob a voicemail.

You can reach me anytime if needed via cell phone (b) (6)

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Subject: RE: AALA Symposium - Speaker Information & Update
Date: Thursday, October 19, 2017 9:03:44 AM
Attachments: [image002.png](#)
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Maureen or Jennie – can you send me the most recent conference agenda reflecting where/when I am speaking? I have to that submit it for my travel authorization to be complete.

Thanks,



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Subject: RE: AALA Symposium - Speaker Information & Update
Date: Monday, October 9, 2017 12:47:51 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Link and some materials available here - <https://www.usda.gov/ruralprosperity>



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From: Maureen Moseman [mailto:(b) (6)@aglaw-assn.org]
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Subject: Re: AALA Symposium - Speaker Information & Update

Perfect – thanks, Rebeckah.

Have a good weekend,

Maureen

From: "Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC" <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Date: Friday, October 6, 2017 at 6:24 PM
To: Maureen Moseman (b) (6)@aglaw-assn.org>
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Subject: Re: AALA Symposium - Speaker Information & Update

I will find what is publicly available on rural prosperity executive order and send to you. The report will not be released before it's due however.

I will get the remainder completed!

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Date: Friday, October 6, 2017 5:06:50 PM
Attachments: [Cutting Red Tape -- USDA Presentation 10 2 17 Draft v3 .pptx](#)
[image001.png](#)

Attaching the PP presentation here – for use as written materials. I will not require a screen for presentation, this is only a reference document for my remarks.



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Reduce
Regulatory
Burdens &
Barriers

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Regulate
Effectively &
Efficiently

3

Promote Due
Process

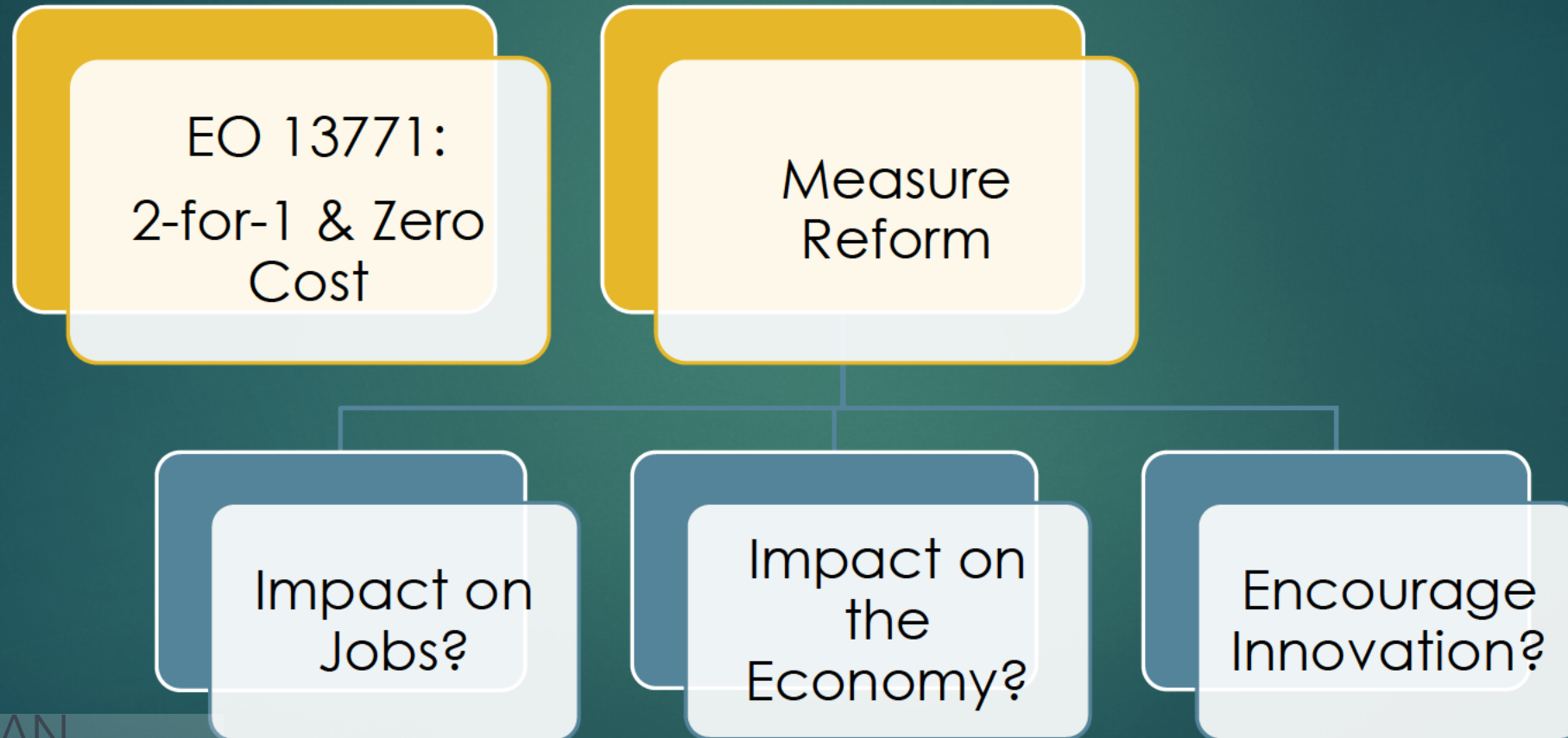
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Provide Fair
Notice &
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Respect
Individual
Freedoms &
Property Rights

1. Reduce Regulatory Burdens & Barriers



2. Effective & Efficient Regulation

Lawful	Follow the Law, Serve the People: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Consistent with Statutes• Comport with All Legal Requirements
Demonstrate Benefits	Demonstrate that Benefits Outweigh the Costs
Least Burden	Least Burden on Individuals, Businesses, and State & Local Government

3. Due Process

Administrative Procedure Act (APA)

- Advanced Notice
- Consider All Public Comments



Fairness in Enforcement

- Notice of Action with Opportunity to Be Heard
- Avoid ‘Announcing’ Policy in Proceedings

4. Fair Notice & Transparency

Clear & Concise

Reduce
Overcomplexity

Minimize Ambiguity

Authorized

Do Not Exceed
Statutory Authority

Avoid Policy by Guidance

Do Not Use Guidance
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Requirements

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Regulatory Reform Agenda at USDA: EO 13777

Regulatory Reform Task Force

- ❑ Senior Staff in Mission Areas/Agencies
- ❑ Identify, Review & Recommend Reforms

Measure Performance

- ❑ Implement regulatory reform initiatives and policies
- ❑ Identify regulations for repeal, replacement or modification

Measure Impacts

- ❑ Impact on Jobs & Economy?
- ❑ Does it make sense?
- ❑ Is it worth it?
- ❑ Is there a better way?

What Can You Do?

Comment

Comment During Rulemaking Process



Specifics

Identify Specific Burdensome Rules & Regulatory Barriers



Inform

Inform USDA of Inappropriate Enforcement Actions and Bad 'Customer Service'

Send us your input on how to reform regulations and improve our effectiveness, efficiency and customer service!

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Prior to joining USDA, Rebeckah was Senior Director in CropLife America's Government Affairs division. She handled government relations issues relating to water, domestic and international chemical laws, human health, and air quality. She also oversaw state affairs in the northeastern United States.

Rebeckah previously served as Counsel on the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works, for Ranking Member Senator Jim Inhofe. As Counsel, she gained extensive knowledge of environmental law and public policy as well as strong legislative and regulatory experience. Her portfolio included chemical and science policy, endangered species, property rights, and all water related issues.

Before going joining the Senate Committee, Rebeckah served as governmental relations director at the American Farm Bureau Federation in Washington, D.C. and Kentucky Farm Bureau Federation in Louisville where managed a wide variety of environmental policy issues. Rebeckah began her career as an environmental scientist for a private remediation consulting firm, where she worked for several years.

Rebekah's service also includes the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Pesticide Policy Dialogue Committee, USDA's IR-4 Advisory Committee, and as an emeritus chair of the stakeholders' Pesticide Policy Coalition.

Rebeckah earned her undergraduate degree in environmental resource management from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville and her Juris Doctorate from the University of Kentucky College of Law in Lexington. She is a Kentucky native, a member of the Leadership Kentucky Class of 2000, and a member of the state's Bar Association.

From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Andrew Walmsley](#)
Subject: ABA @ 10
Date: Thursday, May 4, 2017 9:36:07 AM
Attachments: [image003.png](#)

See you around 10 – walking over soon.



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Subject: RE: Hola

Thanks Rebeckah. We hope to see you, but if not, call-in information is below:

Call-in: 800-768-2983
 Passcode: (b) (6)

Thanks again for finding the time.

Andrew

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Send me a call in # just in case, and I will let you know in the am whether I can make it in person.

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On May 2, 2017, at 1:02 PM, Andrew Walmsley (b) (6) <[@fb.org](mailto:(b)(6)@fb.org)> wrote:

Thanks Rebeckah and John. Attached and pasted below is the draft agenda. We would love to have you or the appropriate person from USDA join anytime between 9 and 11 a.m.

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1. Biotech Disclosure Update and Discussion

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- Part 340
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Next ABA meeting: TBD

Please let me know if you need anything else.

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Thanks Reb

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Let me check into whether I'm the right person for you – we are still in process of dividing the pie pieces. Put us down definite maybe and send me the details on preferred time etc.

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Hey Reb. Congratulations on your new gig. Looking forward to hearing how it's going.

Any chance you might have some time Thursday morning to participate in a biotech meeting at the farm bureau?

We could patch you in by phone if that works.

Thanks

I hope to get together soon

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Thanks, Deb! Brian already sent it along to the right folks before I even got out of my meeting, so the wheels are moving.

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Subject: AGree's Conservation and Crop Insurance Task Force Data Initiative Recommendations

Reb –

It was great seeing you last week! Below you will find our recommendations regarding data integration.

There is a lot of history behind this. Our Task Force believes that clear and accessible data that accurately quantifies the risk reduction benefits of conservation practices will provide long-term cost savings to farmers as well as the taxpayers over time.

All efforts to gather and analyze data about the impacts of conservation practices on yield, soil health, and farm productivity should be done in a way that protects the integrity and confidentiality of producer data by upholding strict privacy protocols.

Bottom-line is that these consensus recommendations will enable producer innovation with conservation practices, strengthen the actuarial soundness of the crop insurance program to ensure that it remains viable and defensible, and inform USDA efforts to improve the overall efficiency and effectiveness of the crop insurance program and conservation program.

Please feel free to call me with any questions you may have.

Cheers,
 Deb

Overarching Goal of the AGree Conservation and Crop Insurance Task Force

To drive broader adoption of conservation practices on working lands, while maintaining a viable federal crop insurance program, across the United States.

2018 Farm Bill Positions

Most agriculture producers know that healthy soils are resilient and can improve the profitability and environmental performance of their operations over the long-term. AGree will continue to advocate for evidence-based policies and an actuarially sound crop insurance program. Therefore, AGree recommends the following:

Data and Analysis

1. Establish a limited number (e.g., 5 – 6) of new, high priority RMA practice codes to track the use of conservation practices by 2020. Examples include conservation tillage and cover crops.
2. Develop – using an independent, third party – a secure data warehouse that protects producers' privacy while harnessing the expertise of the Land Grant system and other universities to fully leverage existing data and help USDA more effectively target its resources to improve producer profitability and positive environmental outcomes.
3. To improve the efficiency and effectiveness of data collection, direct the Secretary of Agriculture to initiate an internal, department-wide process and, in parallel, an external stakeholder engagement process that focuses on strengthening and enhancing agricultural data collection to inform efforts related to conservation and crop insurance. Recommendations should be provided to the Secretary of Agriculture by 2020.

In developing these changes, the Secretary should give consideration to: reducing responder burden; improving the types of

conservation data collected; and helping USDA more effectively target its resources to improve producer profitability and positive environmental outcomes. The process should also include consideration of how USDA can utilize data from technological tools such as remote sensing to improve survey accuracy and distribution while maintaining producer privacy.

4. Direct RMA and NRCS to assess, between 2018 and 2023, the yield variability impacts of soil type and conservation practices including crop rotation, tillage practices, and cover crops. Results of this analysis should be correlated with leading measures of soil health by 2023.
5. Require USDA to conduct a random survey of crop insurance policy holders by 2020 on their use of conservation practices to help determine the risk reduction characteristics of such practices using the FCIC's authority to collect and share data under (Section 506(h)) of the Federal Crop Insurance Act.

Over the next several years, AGree believes implementation of these recommendations will lead to a body of information, analysis, and knowledge that will support an evidence-based approach to create effective policies while securing long-term cost savings for the Federal Crop Insurance Program. These policies will: enable producer innovation with conservation practices; strengthen the actuarial soundness of the Crop Insurance Program to ensure it remains viable and defensible; and inform USDA efforts to improve the overall efficiency and effectiveness of the Crop Insurance Program and Conservation Programs while supporting producer profitability and environmental performance.

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Perdue's new inner circle at USDA

Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue hit the ground running in his first two weeks on the job, meeting with President Trump in the White House, traveling to Kansas, Iowa and Arkansas and working on his subcabinet nominees. A number of top-tier names have been sent to the White House, waiting for the president's approval. **In the meantime, Perdue has a small but mighty team of advisors already on the job.** Here's a look at some of the folks you are likely to meet in Perdue's inner circle and their roles at USDA:

Heidi Green, Chief of Staff

Green is a longtime ally of the former Georgia governor, working with the new Secretary as far back as his gubernatorial transition team in 2002. **She shares his "sunny" disposition and "can do" attitude, but – because of her longstanding working relationship – she is also the one most often tapped to deliver any negative news.**

The California native first worked on Capitol Hill for Rep. Bill Thomas, R-Calif. Later, she established her Georgia credentials by working for Republican Sen. Paul Coverdell from the Peach State. Since her early days of working with Perdue, she's served as an advisor on economic development, transportation, and other issues before ultimately rising to the rank of commissioner of the Georgia Department of Economic Development. In a 2007 [release](#), Perdue called Green "an integral member of our team" and cited her **"wide range of experience in negotiating difficult policy issues."**



Heidi Green, Sec. Sonny Perdue's Chief of Staff

Green was also a [founding member](#) of Perdue Partners LLC, the grain trading company founded by Perdue, his cousin David, now a U.S. senator, and Trey Childress, another former Perdue gubernatorial administration official. During Perdue's time as Georgia governor, Green served as an administration representative with the Southern Governors' Association, Republican Governors Association, and National Governors Association.

Chris Young, Deputy Chief of Staff

A native of Fitzgerald, Georgia, Young graduated from the Georgia Institute of Technology, earning a B.S. degree in history and a law degree from the University of Georgia before being tapped by Gov. Perdue as Chief of Protocol and Director of International Affairs in 2005. In that role, he helped grow Georgia's international footprint, organizing visits for dignitaries and planning gubernatorial and senior official missions to almost 20 foreign countries.

“I tell people that protocol is the science of creating the right conditions for business and diplomacy to succeed,” Young said in a video interview with GlobalAtlanta.com in 2009. Just one year earlier, Young was named to a two-year term as president of the Protocol and Diplomacy International-Protocol Officers Association – the association's youngest president and current governance chair.



Chris Young, Deputy COS

After Perdue completed his term as governor in 2011, Young moved on to serve as executive director of the Protocol School of Washington and as executive director and associate fellow with the United Nations Institute for Training and Research in Atlanta. Now he's back on the Perdue team.

Brian Klippenstein, Senior Advisor

The Missouri native is familiar to many in agriculture circles, thanks to his work in the industry and time on Capitol Hill. Most recently, Klip – as his friends call him – served as the executive director of [Protect the Harvest](#), the Lucas Oil-backed initiative “created to preserve the freedoms of American consumers, farmers, ranchers, outdoor enthusiasts, and animal owners.” He's a high energy guy, whom one long-time friend described as **“the Energizer Bunny, working at a pace, both mentally and physically, that wears out his co-workers and colleagues. It won't surprise anybody that watches him that he runs marathons.”** The George Washington University graduate is known as an experienced straight-shooter, with a wealth of agricultural knowledge.



Brian Klippenstein. Photo courtesy of Protect the Harvest.

He also understands Missouri and farm politics like none other, after years of honing his political skills on the staffs of Missouri Republicans Rep. Tom Coleman and Sens. Kit Bond and Roy Blunt. Klippenstein was among the small transition team first at USDA and was initially planning on that experience being the length of his tenure. Now, he's full-time with USDA, but plans to work out of agency offices near his home in the Kansas City area whenever possible.

Sam Clovis, Senior Advisor

Clovis was a fixture in the ag policy corner of the Trump campaign, serving as a national chief policy advisor who engaged in several different capacities. His responsibilities may not be exactly well-defined at USDA, **but sources say his influence can be felt across many different areas of the department, and he remains very well-connected to the White House – an important asset for the agency.**

The Kansas native served as a surrogate for the president on ag issues and led the transition team at USDA. The former Morningside College economics professor was active in the Iowa conservative scene, even hosting a talk radio show on local radio. **Friends describe Clovis as a great spokesperson who's knowledgeable on a wide variety of issues including agriculture, defense, and foreign policy.**

In 2014, he made a run for the U.S. Senate seat in Iowa eventually won by Joni Ernst. Clovis was the Iowa director for Rick Perry's 2016 presidential bid before leaving that post in August 2015 to join the Trump team. Clovis is a graduate of the Air Force Academy, where he served as a fighter pilot in the 70th Fighter Squadron for 25 years, ultimately rising to the rank of Colonel. Clovis holds an M.B.A. from Golden Gate University and a Ph.D. in public administration from the University of Alabama.



Clovis delivers remarks at the 2017 Ag Outlook Forum

Kristi Boswell, Senior Advisor

A former American Farm Bureau director of congressional relations, Boswell was an early hire to Perdue's team, where she'll work on farm labor issues for USDA. That was a key assignment for her former employer, and an AFBF coworker told *Agri-Pulse* that, while they were sad to see her go, **"what better place for her to be?"**



Kristi Boswell

Boswell grew up on a farm in southeastern Nebraska where her family raised corn and soybeans. She holds a bachelor's degree from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and is a graduate of the University of Nebraska's College of Law.

Before joining USDA and working for five years at AFBF, Boswell practiced corporate defense litigation and worked as a political aide for a Nebraska state senator. One of her first jobs was serving as the Ag Youth Coordinator for the Nebraska Department of Agriculture.

Rebeckah Adcock, Senior Advisor

An environmental scientist and licensed attorney, Adcock attended the University of Tennessee, Knoxville as an undergraduate and later obtained her J.D. from the University of Kentucky College of Law. Shortly after graduation, she joined the Kentucky Farm Bureau as its director of natural resources. That work led to a job with the American Farm Bureau in Washington in 2002, where she handled environmental and regulatory issues for the nation's largest farm group.

In 2008, she was selected as counsel to the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works and two years later, joined CropLife America as senior director of government relations. She has previously served on EPA's Pesticide Program Dialogue Committee and has chaired the Pesticide Policy Coalition.

Adcock is no stranger to the Trump agenda. She was active during the presidential campaign, serving on the Trump Agricultural Advisory Team and, in at least one debate that was organized by CropLife, served as a spokesperson for the campaign.

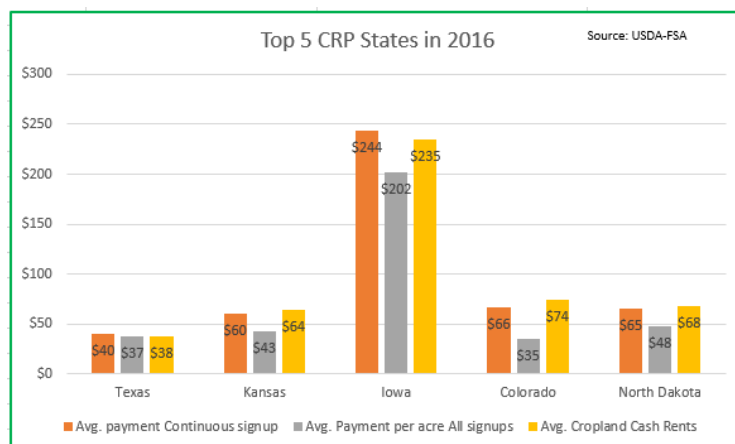


Rebeckah Adcock. Photo courtesy of CLA

CRP crunch puts focus on payment rates, rules

The Agriculture Department's decision to freeze most new enrollments in the Conservation Reserve Program puts new focus on the squeeze the program is going through heading into its fourth decade. USDA's Farm Service Agency on May 3 stopped taking any new applications for the program under the continuous signup process.

The reason for the freeze: At nearly 23.5 million acres, CRP is closing in on the 24-million cap imposed by the 2014 farm bill.



Ending the continuous signup was necessary to leave room for additional enrollments under the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program.

The freeze comes as demand for the program, created by the 1985 farm bill, is increasing as farmers struggle to cope with a long-term downturn in commodity prices. **Lawmakers are beginning to debate how to pay for increasing acreage, and how to**

change the rules to preserve or refocus the program's environmental benefits without making it harder for new and beginning farmers to find land to rent.

One potential source of funding an expansion in CRP acreage: Trim the size of the payments that USDA is making in Iowa and some surrounding states, according to the ranking Democrat on the House Agriculture Committee, Collin Peterson of Minnesota. He argues that CRP payments, especially for acreage enrolled under the continuous signup, are excessive.

In fact, in some counties in Iowa it appears that landowners are getting paid more for putting land in CRP than they could get from renting the land to a farmer. Southwest of Des Moines in Ringgold County, for example, CRP payments averaged \$164 an acre last year, up from \$94.95 an acre in 2012. Meanwhile, the average rent for lower quality corn and soybean acreage averaged \$154 an acre in 2016, *down* from \$163 in 2012, according to Iowa State University's annual survey of county rental rates.

In neighboring Taylor County, CRP payments averaged \$169 last year, up from \$103 in 2012. Rent for lower quality cropland rose much more modestly over the same period, from \$154 to \$182 per acre.

Iowa appears to be an extreme case. It has the highest average CRP rates in the country, and the state also has seen a sharp correction in cash rents after steady, steep increases between 2006 and about 2015. But some counties in neighboring states have seen similar changes in CRP and cash rents. In Brown County, S.D., the average CRP rate last year was less than \$103 an acre, just \$3 above the average cash rent for lower quality cropland.

Peterson, who wants to increase CRP to 40 million acres, believes funding could come from reining in payments, especially for continuous-signup acreage. **“I think there is some money there that can be squeezed out of the system,”** Peterson said.



Rep. Collin Peterson, D-Minn.

Iowa Farm Bureau members have been watching the rise in CRP rates with some concern, said Dave Miller, director of research for the group and a farmer and CRP contract holder himself. Miller believes the situation will correct itself over the next couple of years as CRP payments, which are pegged to USDA survey data, begin to reflect the slump in commodity prices and cash rents. **But Iowa Farm Bureau members are still debating possible changes to CRP that they might support, including capping CRP payment rates.**

FSA last year moved to keep CRP payments in balance by capping continuous payments. Val Dolcini, the FSA administrator at the time, acknowledged that managing CRP payments has been a challenge for the agency, especially in Iowa. Dolcini’s concern was that high CRP payments would discourage landowners from renting acreage to young and beginning farmers. **In many cases it’s in the landowners’ interest “to enroll in CRP rather than rent the land to a young farmer at a lesser rate,” Dolcini said.** He added that he hopes his successor at FSA, who has yet to be appointed, “looks at CRP holistically and considers what the impact is on new and beginning farmers.”

Peterson says another funding source for expanding CRP is to reduce rental rates by allowing haying and grazing, with restrictions to protect nesting birds. But he acknowledges that idea has drawbacks as well. Western cattle producers have long resisted allowing CRP land to be used that way because they see it as competition, he said. Another problem is that CRP land often isn’t fenced. **“If it’s not fenced, it’s not going to work for grazing.”**

Sen. John Thune, R-S.D., last month proposed a series of reforms in line with some of Peterson’s ideas. [Thune wants to raise the CRP cap to 30 million acres and permit haying and grazing on CRP lands](#) at lower payment rates. In exchange for a 25 percent reduction on grazed CRP acres, [his bill](#) would allow for annual grazing at 25 percent of the stocking rate determined by local FSA offices.

But there is still the long-running disagreement between those who want to emphasize enrolling large grass tracts in CRP – acreage that is generally enrolled during a general signup – and those who think the program should be focused on smaller tracts with specific environmental benefits. Those tracts tend to be enrolled through the continuous signup at significantly higher cost.

Under the continuous signup rules, environmentally sensitive land ordinarily can be enrolled at any time for a variety of specific practices, including riparian buffers, filter strips, new or restored wetlands, grass waterways, shelter belts and living snow fences.

As of the end of March, 23.48 million acres were enrolled in CRP, including 16.15 million in general signup and 5.86 million in continuous. (Another 1.06 million acres are enrolled in CREP projects.) The average payment for general-signup contracts is \$51 per acre, well below the continuous average of \$128 per acre.

In some areas it has become very difficult for landowners to even get enrolled under the general signup. During the last general signup, in 2016, FSA received 26,279 offers for 1.86 million acres, but accepted only 4,842 offers totaling 407,116 acres. In South Dakota, only 101 acres were accepted out of 42,332 that were offered. In response to that, [Thune's bill](#) includes a formula to set target acreage enrollment for states.

Ferd Hoefner of the National Sustainable Agriculture Coalition is a strong supporter of the continuous signup and believes the freeze on new enrollments was unnecessary. He said FSA should have continued taking offers contingent on enrollment starting Oct. 1. **Continuous sign-up “promotes high pay-off, targeted, partial field enrollments” and should be a focus for FSA into the next fiscal year, he said.**

But Hoefner said the next farm bill offers the chance to make some significant changes to CRP. For example, NSAC says FSA should be authorized to enroll permanent CRP easements for the most marginal land, which shouldn't be farmed, and for acreage that would provide critical, long-term conservation benefits. Permanent contracts could be exempted from the CRP acreage cap, freeing up space under the limit for conventional 10-year contracts, the group says.

“I do think the time is ripe for rethinking CRP going forward, and I think this might be the farm bill to begin to tackle a re-visioning of the program for its second 30 years,” Hoefner said.

Replacing WOTUS not an easy task for Trump EPA

The Trump administration is working quickly to withdraw the controversial waters of the United States rule, but that may be the easy part. It's trickier to decide on a replacement.

EPA officials met last month with associations representing state and local agencies to outline the agency's plans to first withdraw the WOTUS rule and then replace it with something less expansive.

Last week, EPA sent to the [Office of Management and Budget](#) a draft of its proposal to scrap the [Clean Water Rule](#), which is how supporters refer to it. Other federal agencies now have the opportunity to review the proposed withdrawal of the WOTUS rule, which has been stayed by the courts since a few weeks after it went into effect in the summer of 2015.

Then on May 8, EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt and Douglas Lamont, a senior Army Corps of Engineers official, sent letters to the nation's governors asking for their input on the process.



Don Parrish, the American Farm Bureau Federation's senior director of regulatory relations, says a rewrite of the rule is a “huge” Farm Bureau priority.

But the new administration will face the same challenges as the Obama administration did in interpreting the hazy [Rapanos](#) Supreme Court decision from 2006, in a case challenging federal jurisdiction to regulate isolate wetlands under the Clean Water Act. The case ended up in a 4-1-4 split: Justice Antonin Scalia wrote the court opinion for the conservative bloc and

former Justice John Paul Stevens led the dissenters in the liberal wing, with swing vote Justice Anthony Kennedy in the middle.

Kennedy said that the federal government’s “jurisdiction over wetlands depends upon the existence of a significant nexus between the wetlands in question and navigable waters in the traditional sense.” Wetlands can be regulated, he said, if, “either alone or in combination with similarly situated lands in the region, (they) significantly affect the chemical, physical, and biological integrity of other covered waters more readily understood as ‘navigable.’”

There was enough common ground between Kennedy’s “significant nexus” test and the dissenting opinion of the four liberals on the court for EPA and the Army Corps of Engineers to use that test as the basis for the WOTUS rule. The dissent called Kennedy’s approach “far more faithful to our precedents and to principles of statutory interpretation than is the plurality’s,” written by Scalia.

But it’s the Scalia opinion that the Trump administration wants to use as a template for the new rule. The [executive order](#) kicking off the WOTUS review says EPA and the Army Corps of Engineers “shall consider interpreting the term ‘navigable waters’ . . . in a manner consistent” with Scalia’s opinion.



Justice Antonin Scalia

“The agencies plan to propose a new definition that would replace the approach in the 2015 Clean Water Rule with one that reflects the principles that Justice Scalia outlined in the Rapanos plurality opinion,” the letter to the governors says.

Scalia said the Clean Water Act “confers jurisdiction only over relatively *permanent* bodies of water” and wetlands that have a “continuous surface connection” to those waters. But Stephen Samuels, a recently retired Justice Department attorney who spent more than 30 years specializing in the Clean Water Act, says, “There would be some real difficulties in promulgating a rule that simply adopts the Scalia standard.”

First, “five justices disagreed with the Scalia standard,” he said. In addition, no circuit court of appeals that has considered CWA jurisdiction post-Rapanos has adopted the Scalia standard.

Chances seem slim that the Supreme Court will want to address the issue again, putting added pressure on the administration to come up with a clear replacement. Attorney Mark Ryan, who helped write the Clean Water rule at EPA but is now in private practice in Washington state, says that “the Supreme Court has not been eager to take the case up.” It’s been asked “at least eight times since Rapanos to take another look” at the decision, but declined to do so.

While repealing the existing rule without promulgating a replacement would “not be particularly complicated,” Samuels says it’s also more than just “a snap of the fingers.”

The administration would have to propose to withdraw the rule and then issue a final rule explaining its decision, which can become the subject of a new lawsuit arguing that there is no basis for getting rid of the existing rule.

An extensive administrative record supporting the current rule exists, including “hundreds of scientific studies that talk about the importance of upstream waters to navigable waters,” Samuels says. The Obama administration also submitted a detailed brief to the 6th Circuit Court of Appeals defending the existing rule a week before Donald Trump took the oath of office.

But Samuels says that “simply a rescission is much more likely to survive a judicial challenge than adoption of the Scalia standard,” which he says “would be hard to justify in light of the science, in light of the case law, in light of what the agencies did in the context of the Clean Water Rule, and in light of the brief” in the 6th Circuit.

“It would be a change of EPA’s position where I think the bar would be higher than if they were writing on a blank slate,” he said, calling use of the Scalia standard “not just a huge narrowing of jurisdiction from the Clean Water Rule, but a huge narrowing of jurisdiction” from 40 years of implementation of the Clean Water Act.

The Farm Bureau’s Parrish, however, says that the Trump executive order only said that EPA and the Corps should “consider” using the Scalia test. “There’s a huge difference between ‘consider’ and doing it,” he says. “The president was very clear.” Parrish expects litigation no matter what happens. “Whatever is done will be challenged, we’re confident in that,” he says, predicting a “knife fight” when EPA proposes to withdraw the rule. AFBF has probably been the fiercest critic of WOTUS, claiming that it would allow the feds to look for jurisdictional waters in areas that include virtually every acre of some states.

At a Senate hearing last week, Sen. Deb. Fischer, R-Neb., cited an [analysis](#) performed for AFBF that concluded 100 percent of the land area of Virginia “is located within 4,000 feet of something that meets the WOTUS rule definition of tributary,” as well as 99.7 percent of Missouri, 99 percent of Montana, 99 percent of Pennsylvania, 97 percent of Iowa, 95 percent of Oklahoma, 95 percent of California, and 92 percent of Wisconsin.

The 4,000-foot limit comes from the WOTUS rule, which allows the government to claim jurisdiction on a case-by-case basis over waters fully or partially within 100-year floodplains of traditional navigable waters or within 4,000 feet of the high tide line or the ordinary high water mark of a navigable water or tributary. A former Corps general said at the hearing that the limit was a stark example of something in the final rule that “did not reflect what the science said.”

AFBF says on its [website](#) that it supports a rule “that conforms to the limits approved by Congress and affirmed by the Supreme Court,” but Parrish says the bureau is working to add some specificity to that. **We’re giving a lot of thought” to what should be in a replacement rule, Parrish says. “They ought to start with water – start with something that actually has H₂O in it.”**

Ephemeral streams, which only flow when there’s rainfall, should clearly be out, he says. “Most people understand the distinction between a stream that flows a substantial amount of time and something that is only wet or flows after a rainfall event,” Parrish says. Policy calls on seasonal streams raise really tough questions, he says. “We’re working really hard” to come up with a position on that, Parrish says.

“We think the administration is sufficiently equipped to do something that is going to leave a legacy that will stand up over the test of time,” he says. “The key is where they draw the line.”

For the 2017 planting season, farmers dueling with Mother Nature

Weather events across the country are taking a toll on the 2017 growing season, crippling planting efforts in some places before they can even get started.

Arkansas was hit especially hard by flooding, but heavy rains also affected operations in Missouri, Illinois, and Michigan as well as 11 other states. In Kansas and Colorado, where farmers are trying to recover from devastating wildfires, a late-season blizzard decimated the winter wheat crop and buried cattle in snowdrifts. And in Florida, officials say over 126,000 acres have burned in wildfires since January, surpassing the five-year average of acreage burned in a typical year.

Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue on Sunday took a helicopter tour of the damage in Arkansas with Gov. Asa Hutchinson, who said flooding in 36 counties had taken nine lives. A [report](#) from the University of Arkansas Cooperative Extension Service puts farm losses alone at \$64.5 million, a figure that could rise as more information comes in.

“You go down the White River, and the farmland has been flooded in mass expanses,” Hutchinson said after an aerial tour of the conditions on Sunday. “We saw one field in which it looked like the water was at least 6 to 8 feet above the farmland, and you also saw as the water receded, that the farmland was still damaged from it.”

The situation in Arkansas is dire, according to Jeff Rutledge, who farms about 4,000 acres of rice, corn and soybeans near the city of Newport in the northeast part of the state. “We’ve got some low ground here and the rivers are really high,” he said. About 1,000 acres of his corn and soybeans have already been destroyed, Rutledge told *Agri-Pulse*. More than 800 acres of his rice, which just recently went in the ground, might survive, but it’s too early to tell.

Because his farm is at the confluence of the White and Black rivers, flooding is not unusual, but this year it’s particularly bad. Floodwaters covered his land in April of 2011, but a wet spring that year meant he hadn’t yet planted his rice. This year, dry conditions allowed him to plant on time, and as of late last week some of his fields were under 10 feet of water.

When the floods came six years ago only about 45 percent of the rice in Arkansas was planted, said Rutledge, who is also chairman of the Arkansas Rice Council. This year, about 92 percent of the state’s rice was in the ground when the heavy rains started.

Rutledge said his rice is insured, but if the crop is destroyed it won’t be as simple as collecting on the policy and then taking a loss. He’ll likely have to plant again because of a new “practical to replant” provision that could be even more expensive. He’ll have to invest in new inputs, and he said planting late in the season almost never results in good yields. Under Risk Management Agency guidelines, a replanting payment may be made to the insured if it is determined that it is “Practical to Replant” in the area, and Authorization to Replant has been given by an authorized crop insurance adjuster.

As for state or federal assistance, he said it’s unclear what may be coming.

“We’re waiting on a lot of things,” Rutledge said. “We’re waiting on the water to come down. We’re waiting on crop insurance. We’re waiting on the government. It’s about all we can do.”

The wait could be a long one. The National Weather Service in Little Rock is forecasting more stormy weather and a USDA meteorologist said another two inches of rain is expected Thursday in areas already inundated with 12 to 20 inches over the past several weeks.

Perdue's [visit](#) to the flooded areas followed a news [release](#) last week in which he pledged the "full resources and support" of USDA to those affected by flooding in Arkansas and elsewhere. Aside from Arkansas, the National Weather Service also shows flooding upriver in Missouri, Illinois, and Michigan as well as 11 other states. The Midwest Regional Climate Center says the [month of April](#) was the fourth wettest on record for the Midwest region, with some parts of Missouri receiving more than three times the normal precipitation.



Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue tweeted this photo of Arkansas flooding after his helicopter tour Sunday.

The weather conditions were also prevalent in Monday's [Crop Progress Report](#) from the National Agricultural Statistics Service. NASS said that as of Sunday, just 47 percent of the nation's corn crop has been planted compared to 61 percent a year earlier and the 52 percent five-year average. Cool, damp conditions are prevalent across the Corn Belt, where much of the nation's soybeans are also grown.

Some of the figures are most dramatic in Iowa. The report shows the state is behind on corn planted (52 percent versus 77 percent a year ago), corn stage (7 percent emerged this year compared to 25 percent last year), and soybean acres planted (9 percent this year compared to 26 percent last year). Iowa Ag Secretary Bill Northey said in a release that he's hoping that with improved weather conditions, farmers "will continue to see significant progress on both corn and soybean planting the next several days."

Aside from heavy rains, [recent snow](#) in Kansas is also affecting the state's winter wheat. Some fields were under a foot of snow, contributing to the state's crop being rated 27 percent poor or very poor compared to the 13 percent national average. That storm also buried herds of cattle in deep snow banks. Preliminary estimates show losses will likely be in the thousands of animals.

Now, just two weeks into his tenure as the nation's top agriculture official, Perdue finds himself literally getting his feet wet as he assesses the damage of a tumultuous spring. "It's kind of like being at a funeral," Perdue said Sunday during his visit to Arkansas. "I'm going to give you a hug and say 'We're going to do everything we can, and if you need us, call on us.'"

Green groups push back on Trump plan to reduce pesticide regs

The Trump administration's efforts to reduce regulatory burdens related to pesticides was the subject of a contentious hearing last week at the semiannual meeting of EPA's [Pesticide Program Dialogue Committee](#). Over two days, environmental, farmworker and public health advocates spoke in favor of continued federal regulation of pesticides and vowed to resist any efforts by EPA's Office of Pesticide Programs (OPP) to weaken or delay safeguards.

“Any time this agency takes a discretionary action to repeal any regulation or to weaken a regulation that harms an endangered species, we will fight you every step of the way,” said Brett Hartl, government affairs director at the Center for Biological Diversity and one of three CBD employees to speak at the regulatory reform hearing in Arlington, Va.

The center, which frequently files lawsuits seeking endangered species protections, is party to a settlement requiring EPA and federal agencies that implement the Endangered Species Act to assess the impacts of pesticides on listed species.

CropLife America’s senior director of regulatory policy, Ray McAllister, told assembled OPP officials that while CLA supports **“efforts to streamline the regulatory process and make sure it is guided by common sense, we don’t want to throw out the baby with the bath water,”** urging the administration to support reauthorization of the Pesticide Registration Improvement Act, **“the private-sector-funded, fee-for-service system that provides a portion of resources needed for OPP to do its work in a timely fashion.”** A PRIA reauthorization bill has [cleared](#) the House of Representatives and will be the subject of a Senate Agriculture Committee on May 11.

“In the middle of regulatory reform, we do not want the basic but hard and important work done by OPP to be lost or delayed,” McAllister said.

In general, industry speakers were more generous to OPP than environmentalists and public health advocates, who were critical of EPA Administrator’s Scott Pruitt [recent decision](#) to allow continued use of chlorpyrifos after the previous administration had proposed revoking food tolerances for the insecticide. The Natural Resources Defense Council and Pesticide Action Network are currently challenging that decision in the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals.

Some speakers sought delays in implementation of two major rules – the [Agricultural Worker Protection Standard](#), which is designed to reduce pesticide exposure to workers and their families, and the [Certified Applicator rule](#), which includes stronger requirements for those who apply restricted-use pesticides, or RUPs.



Ray McAllister, CropLife America

Wayne Buhler, representing the American Association of Pesticide Safety Educators, said EPA needs to clarify a provision in the WPS requiring Application Exclusion Zones (AEZ’s). These are areas surrounding the pesticide application equipment “that must be free of all persons other than appropriately trained and equipped handlers during pesticide applications,” according to a list of Frequently Asked Questions put out by the agency in April.

States have sought clarification of whether workers would be allowed to “shelter in place” if their housing is located within the AEZ. Buhler thought enforcement of the AEZ provision would be difficult, adding, “It’s my hope that EPA would consider either removing or adjusting that.”

And Dudley Hoskins, public policy counsel for the National Association of State Departments of Agriculture, said NASDA also is seeking more time to comply with the WPS until resources are in place to help implement the AEZ, along with a provision allowing workers to receive pesticide

exposure information through designated representatives. **Hoskins said NASDA “would love to have the opportunity to revisit” those provisions.**

Virginia Ruiz, director of occupational and environmental health at Farmworker Justice, said her group is opposed to any implementation delays. “EPA is the only agency that has jurisdiction over worker protection for a workforce that is very vulnerable, very much in need of enhanced information and training,” she said.

EPA also was asked to extend compliance dates for the certified applicator rule, which is due to go into effect May 22. Sheryl Kunickis, head of USDA’s Office of Pest Management Policy, said **“USDA is not confident that these new federal regulations will result in significant benefits in terms of reducing risks to applicators”** and that implementation “will be costly for states, tribes, and other certifying entities as well as for applicators and farm owners.”

The Pesticide Policy Coalition, whose members include commodity groups and pesticide producers and formulators, among others, has asked EPA to delay implementation until the agency addresses its concerns about the minimum-age requirement in the rule.

“Prior to this rulemaking, individuals under the age of 18 were able to apply RUPs if they met certification and training requirements promulgated within their respective state,” the Coalition said in an April 27 letter to Pruitt. **“The age requirement would require numerous states to undertake the lengthy and costly process of amending state statutes through the state legislature and/or undertake a state regulatory public comment and rule change.”** But individual states should be allowed to make that determination, PPC Chair Ethan Mathews of the National Corn Growers Association and Beau Greenwood of CropLife America said in the letter.

Another issue that received a fair amount of discussion was the ongoing effort to assess the effects of pesticides on endangered species. Dow AgroSciences and two other companies, FMC and ADAMA, [recently asked](#) EPA to withdraw assessments on the effects of chlorpyrifos, malathion and diazinon that the Fish and Wildlife Service and National Marine Fisheries Service are using to develop biological opinions that could end up restricting the use of the organophosphate insecticides.

The Center for Biological Diversity, which filed a lawsuit that forced the agencies to evaluate the pesticides’ effects, opposes any delay, said Lori Ann Burd, CBD’s environmental health program director.

“It’s incredibly frustrating to see this agency considering an 11th-hour attempt” to halt the process, Burd said at the meeting.



Lori Ann Burd, Center for Biological Diversity

But Anita Pease, associate director of EPA’s Environmental Fate and Effects Division, voiced support for some of the streamlining suggestions made by industry. EPA’s initial assessments found that chlorpyrifos and malathion would adversely affect at least 97 percent of all U.S. listed species, and diazinon would adversely affect about 80 percent. Pease said the agency plans to refine its process, such as through use of better aquatic modeling, and that the changes would likely result in fewer conclusions that a pesticide has adversely affected a listed species. **“We would expect different conclusions,” she said.**

Democrats push legalization of farmworkers amid fears of crackdown

A recent immigration raid at a Pennsylvania mushroom farm has heightened fears that President Trump's crackdown on illegal immigration could widen to other agricultural areas. **Democrats, citing deportation fears, have introduced legislation that would offer a pathway to legal status to farmworkers, mirroring provisions included in 2013 immigration reform legislation that died in the House.**

There is no evidence so far that Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) intends to broadly target farms, and GOP congressional leaders have shown no interest in taking on immigration reform, swamped as they already are with health care, tax and spending legislation.

But just the fear of ICE raids and deportations is making it harder for farms to find workers, said Shah Kazemi, president and owner of Monterey Mushrooms, the nation's largest mushroom producer, with operations in California, Florida, Illinois, Pennsylvania, Tennessee and Texas. **"Currently, we are short hundreds of workers with the fear factor that exists," he said, speaking on a conference call arranged by the United Farm Workers. "We have been forced to cut back our production because we cannot find people."**

[The April 28 raid at the Kaolin Farms near Philadelphia reportedly left workers in the area on edge](#), even though the ICE agents were apparently seeking just four specific workers, according to [Philly.com](#).

Frank Gasperini, president and CEO of the National Council of Agricultural Employers, told *Agri-Pulse* he hasn't seen evidence of an increase in ICE audits. However, there are instances of ICE agents going to farms to seek certain individuals and then sweeping up other people, he said. **"At this point, the concern seems to be uncertainty and concern of being hassled," Gasperini said. "Growers who employ migrant workers are concerned that some may decide not to travel this year because of the rhetoric and uncertainty."**



Frank Gasperini

Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue said Trump reiterated at the April 25 farmers' roundtable that the enforcement effort is focused on criminals. **Trump "understands there are dedicated farm workers who are immigrants sometimes milking cows 365 days a year, and he wants to find a way we can continue to use the productive capacity of those who are here to serve agriculture,"** Perdue said.

The Agricultural Worker Program Act introduced by the ranking Democrat on the Senate Judiciary Committee, Dianne Feinstein of California, provides a two-step process for agricultural workers to obtain legal status. Farmworkers who have worked in agriculture for at least 100 days in each of the past two years could earn a "blue card," giving them legal status. Blue card holders who then work on farms for three or five more years, depending on the total hours they are employed, could then apply for a green card, or legal permanent residency.

"Most ag workers are undocumented, and this bill provides the documentation," said Feinstein. "It allows them to live without fear, work without fear and earn a pathway to citizenship." Sagrario Arellano, a dairy farm employee in Washington state, said through an

interpreter that the bill would allow farmworkers to “come out from the shadows after so much time. ... This bill will really open a lot of doors for us, and give us opportunities to go to school and continue to get educated.”

In a news release, Tom Nassif, president and CEO of the Western Growers Association, said Feinstein’s bill “elevates an issue often overlooked in the immigration reform debate: Retention of the existing agricultural workforce.”

But Senate Judiciary Chairman Chuck Grassley, R-Iowa, said Congress is unlikely to address such a bill because senators will insist on attaching other immigration issues, such as legislation targeting sanctuary cities. **“We just can’t bring up a simple little bill like” the farmworker legislation, “so no immigration bill gets brought up,”** Grassley said.

So, is no immigration bill moving this year? “The easiest answer to that question is. ... **I’m very doubtful but always hopeful,**” Grassley added.

Zinke takes a ‘monumental’ tour in Utah, considers grazing rights

Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke took a tour of two contentious national monuments this week after being tasked with examining uses of the Antiquities Act. The act, signed into law by President Theodore Roosevelt, allows presidents to create national monuments from federal lands to protect significant natural, cultural or scientific features.

Now, opponents of previous designations are hopeful a renewed focus on the legislation will bode well for energy, grazing, and other interests. Last week, the Interior Department published a [list](#) of monument designations that [will be reexamined](#) under an executive order from the White House. The department will look at designations in the last 20 years that topped 100,000 acres and report back in four months. Two such monuments in Utah got a personal visit from Zinke this week, the Bears Ears, a 1.3-million-acre designation by President Obama, and Grand Staircase-Escalante, 1.7 million acres under President Clinton.

Zinke told reporters in Utah that he agrees with protecting many of the areas in question, but wonders if a monument designation is the right way to do it.

Representatives from the livestock sector don’t think so. They point to lost grazing from the Grand Staircase-Escalante since its designation in 1996, where less than a quarter of the original allotted animal unit months remain today. Animal unit months refer to a formula that determines the number of cattle that can be supported by a specific grazing area.

“One thing that we will certainly be looking to get in place is reinstating those grazing rights and making sure that those economies can benefit from the grazing on those lands,” Marci Schlup, associate director for the Public Lands Council and the National Cattlemen’s Beef Association Federal Lands, told *Agri-Pulse*.



Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke addresses media in Utah

Critics of the review say administrative action could weaken protections on designated land and make it susceptible to development and energy production. Proponents, however, say this is a chance to bring the law back to its original intent.

“The President made it clear that he wants to give some power back to the American people,” Schlup said, a reference to what some groups perceive as a lack of local input on recent designations. “We look forward to helping him do that.”

News Briefs...

USDA delays organic livestock rules. The Department of Agriculture will take an additional six months to “allow time for further consideration” of a controversial set of rules dictating animal welfare practices in organic production. The rules were [originally finalized](#) in the closing days of the Obama administration and met with stiff opposition from many livestock groups. The rules call for things like pasture access for poultry while disallowing covered porches from counting as the outdoor access required for organic poultry and egg production. Opponents contended that the rules were based on perception, not sound animal welfare practices. Supporters of the measures, however, said the organic program is voluntary, so marketing stricter standards for their products should be allowed. Some of the more burdensome changes also included a five-year phase-in period. The original effective date for the implementation of the provisions was March 20, but a February delay pushed that back to May 19. Now, in a [notice](#) that was to appear in the Federal Register today, the effective date has been pushed back to Nov. 14.

Comment period extended on Bayer GE canola. USDA’s Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) is extending until May 30 the comment period on its preliminary decision to extend deregulation to Bayer CropScience’s genetically engineered canola. The canola is genetically engineered for male sterility and herbicide resistance. This action will allow interested persons additional time to prepare and submit comments. The associated documents (plant pest risk similarity assessment, draft environmental assessment, preliminary finding of no significant impact, and a preliminary determination of nonregulated status) are also available for [public review and comment](#) until May 30.

Farm Hands on the Potomac...

President Trump says he plans to nominate **Neil Chatterjee** and **Robert Powelson** to fill vacancies on the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. Chatterjee is currently energy policy adviser to Senate Majority Leader **Mitch McConnell**. Before joining McConnell’s staff, he worked in government relations for the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association and as an aide to House Republican Conference Chair **Deborah Pryce** of Ohio. Powelson has served as a member of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission since 2008. He is also president of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners based in Washington, D.C.

General Mills has named **Jeff Harmening** as its new CEO and board of directors, starting June 1. He’s taking over for **Ken Powell**, who has been CEO and chairman since 2007. Currently the chief operating officer, Harmening has been with the food maker for 23 years.

Best wishes to **Lorelei DiSogra**, vice president for nutrition and health with United Fresh Produce Association, who is retiring at the end of May after a career spanning 40 years. During her tenure at United Fresh, which began in 2005, DiSogra helped shape federal nutrition policies to increase fruit and vegetable consumption for children and their families.

Land O'Lakes Inc. has promoted **Yone Dewberry** to chief supply chain officer. Dewberry joined the member-owned co-op in 2008 as director of dairy planning. He starts the new job May 15.....**Mike Harper** has been named industry relations manager for FMC Agricultural Solutions in the U.S. and Canada. Harper previously worked with the company's Agricultural Solutions sales team where he served as a retail market manager in Missouri for 37 years.

The Ruffed Grouse Society and American Woodcock Society named **Scott Walter** as its director of conservation programs. Walter previously served on the RGS/AWS staff as the regional biologist for Wisconsin, Iowa and Illinois and will continue with some aspects of this role going forward. He previously served as the upland wildlife ecologist and farm bill coordinator with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources from 2011 to 2015.

AFA (Agriculture Future of America) hired **Ashley Collins** as its director of collegiate relations. Collins, who previously worked at AgCareers.com, will be largely responsible for fostering AFA's relationships with colleges and universities across the country.

Susan Wessler, from the University of California, Riverside, and **John Floros**, from Kansas State, have been appointed to co-chair "Science Breakthroughs 2030," a project to identify compelling future directions for research in food and agriculture. The appointments were made by the Board on Agriculture and Natural Resources of the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine, which is sponsoring the project. Wessler is a plant molecular geneticist who studies the role of transposable elements in generating diversity. Floros is dean of the College of Agriculture at K-State as well as director of Research and Extension and a professor of food science and engineering.

Our condolences go out to **Charles W. Herbster** on the death of his wife, Judy Herbster, who passed away suddenly on May 2 in Falls City, Nebraska. She was 62. Charles Herbster was the national chairman of the Agriculture and Rural Advisory Committee for Donald Trump's presidential campaign. Judy was the president and chief operating officer of the Conklin Company, which she owned with her husband. She also worked hand in hand with Charles at their companies, Herbster Angus Farms and Carico Farms in Falls City, Nebraska.

Best Regards,

Sara Wyant
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Great coverage of the panel this morning! Thank you all once again. You made for a very interesting discussion.

Best Regards,
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[Regulatory lag can stifle innovation in agriculture, forum told](#)

WASHINGTON, May 24, 2017 – The last 10 years have seen “a remarkable rise in cost and the time it takes to approve” new agricultural innovations, at least in part because of added regulatory constraints, Illinois farmer Mark Scholl, chairman of the Farm Foundation board, told a forum on food and agricultural regulations here today.



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See tomorrow, Donnie!

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> On Aug 24, 2017, at 9:03 PM, Donnie Smith <(b) (6)> wrote:

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> Looking forward to a great event tomorrow. Please let me know if I can assist.

> Thanks,

> Donnie

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>> Hi Rebeckah and Joby,

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>> Just reaching out to connect you with Donnie, he will be there tomorrow in Tifton, and is available to assist in anyway that may be necessary! His cell number is (b) (6)

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>> Thanks so much!

>> Jannine

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On Sep 12, 2017, at 10:12 AM, Maureen Moseman <(b) (6)@aglaw-assn.org> wrote:

Dear Rebeckah,
 When you know what you need for hotel arrangements, can you please contact me (or have your assistant do so). Our block of rooms at the symposium hotel is full but I just had an attendee cancel and he agreed to not cancel his room reservation so that we could switch the reservation to your name and credit card if you would like to stay at that hotel (Seelbach Hilton Louisville. Group rate is \$169, which is much better than what you can get for government rate currently, if it is available.)

Maureen

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Alright, then. Saturday it is. I will get you the information requested asap.

And, yes, Ray I know I still owe you... again;)

Thanks all!

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On Sep 12, 2017, at 10:06 AM, Maureen Moseman <(b) (6)@aglaw-assn.org> wrote:

Dear Rebeckah,
 Apologies, as I should have given you a bit more context – Ray was planning to be at the symposium on Friday anyway and he previously offered to switch since he had some flexibility.
 Maureen

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Oh dear, Ray I think I owe you one. To be clear, I was hoping for an open space not to take someone else's!

Ray, please let me know if a switch is reasonable for you. If needed, I can try to lock down Friday afternoon (not sure if there is a opening then?).

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On Sep 12, 2017, at 9:54 AM, Maureen Moseman
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Dear Rebeckah:
 We would be glad to have you speak on Saturday instead of Friday, and we appreciate your willingness to participate given all the other time commitments and needs at USDA.

Ray Starling offered to be flexible with his time, so we plan to move your address to Saturday morning instead of Friday

morning. The time will be the same, 9:30 am, and we currently have scheduled 45 minutes for that presentation.

As for topics, Ray suggested that you speak about regulatory reform and the Ag and Rural Taskforce. I know the new infrastructure initiative would be of interest to our folks, and we have cc'd Ray on this as well so the two of you can "divide and conquer" on topics. I have cc'd your colleague Kristi Boswell, who is participating in a panel discussion on labor and employment issues in agriculture. She has spoken on our program before and may have some additional context to share regarding our symposium.

As soon as practical, can you please send us a short bio (a couple of paragraphs or more is fine) and a head shot? We will use these for our materials for attendees. We will follow up with more detailed speaker instructions as well as information on hotel availability.

Please let us know what other questions you may have.

Sincerely,

Maureen

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Maureen –

To be safe given the many disasters we are now dealing with
 at USDA, would it be possible to address the group on
 Saturday rather than Friday?

Having planned similar events like this, I don't take this ask
 to move days lightly, but I want to agree to something that
 have the highest odds of happening – that means a weekend
 day.

Let me know if that can work – and what sort of address or
 subject matter you would specifically want me to include, we
 have much to choose from!

Rebeckah

<image001.png> Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

From: Maureen Moseman [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\)@aglaw-assn.org](mailto:(b) (6)@aglaw-assn.org)]
Sent: Thursday, September 7, 2017 10:53 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
 <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: (b) (6)@who.eop.gov; Bonfitto, Jordan P.
 EOP/WHO (b) (6)@who.eop.gov; Schneider,

Justin (b) (6) @infarmbureau.org>; Jennie Zwagerman <jennifer.zwagerman@drake.edu>; Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re: Am Ag Law Assn Speaking invitation for Friday Oct 27, 2017 in Louisville, Kentucky

Thank you very much, Rebeckah.

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From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <rebeckah.adcock@osec.usda.gov>
 Sent: Thursday, September 7, 2017 8:54 AM
 Subject: RE: Am Ag Law Assn Speaking invitation for Friday Oct 27, 2017 in Louisville, Kentucky
 To: Maureen Moseman <(b) (6) @aglaw-assn.org>
 Cc: (b) (6) @who.eop.gov>, Bonfitto, Jordan P. EOP/WHO (b) (6) @who.eop.gov>, Schneider, Justin (b) (6) @infarmbureau.org>, Jennie Zwagerman <jennifer.zwagerman@drake.edu>, Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <rebeckah.adcock@osec.usda.gov>

Thank you for the kind invitation, Maureen. The Secretary regrets not being able to participate, but I am honored to pitch in where needed.

Due to the hurricanes and fires ravaging many parts of rural America this month, our schedules and travel obligations are very uncertain. Please give me a couple more days to pin down whether the Friday or Saturday date is most likely to be locked in on this end – I suspect that the Saturday date may be most secure given that my travel to support the Secretary typically occurs during the week. I will confirm with you no later than this coming Monday.

Thank you again for inviting USDA to participate,



Rebeckah Freeman Adcock
 Senior Advisor to the Secretary
 Office of the Secretary
 United States Department of Agriculture
 Office: (b) (6)
 Cell: (b) (6)
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

From: Maureen Moseman [Maureen Moseman
[\[mailto:\(b\) \(6\)@aglaw-assn.org\]](mailto:(b) (6)@aglaw-assn.org)
Sent: Wednesday, September 6, 2017 6:29 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
[<Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>](mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov)
Cc: (b) (6)@who.eop.gov; Bonfitto, Jordan
 P. EOP/WHO <(b) (6)@who.eop.gov>;
 Schneider, Justin (b) (6)@infarmbureau.org>;
 Jennie Zwagerman <jennifer.zwagerman@drake.edu>
Subject: Am Ag Law Assn Speaking invitation for Friday
 Oct 27, 2017 in Louisville, Kentucky

Dear Ms. Adcock,

At the recommendation of your colleague Ray Starling, we are inviting you to speak at the 38th annual American Agricultural Law Association annual education symposium, which will take place in Louisville, Kentucky on October 26-28, 2017. We understand that Ms. Lauren Sullivan shared the speaking invitation we sent to Secretary Perdue shortly after his confirmation after she contacted us late last week to let us know that Secretary Perdue would not be able to speak at our symposium due to a scheduling conflict.

Attached for your background information is a speaking invitation for a featured address on Friday morning, October 27. We have flexibility to move the timing of your talk within

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our schedule for Friday the 27 and Saturday October 28 .
A tentative program is attached as well.

We hope you will be able to represent the USDA and the
Secretary at our Symposium in October, and we are glad to
answer any questions.

Sincerely,
Maureen

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Barber, Keith](#)
Subject: RE: Ames Plantation
Date: Monday, October 9, 2017 1:47:26 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Keith –

Thank you for this wonderful invitation – doesn't get much better than horses and hunting! I have passed along to the Secretary's scheduling team for queuing up about 6 weeks out from event (that's as soon as we book events on his calendar).

It is also on my calendar to ensure it comes back around for consideration for either or both of us! Please do check back with me and also keep us posted if anything changes re logistics on your end.

Kindly,



Rebeckah

Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

From: Barber, Keith [mailto:(b) (6)@utfi.org]
Sent: Thursday, October 5, 2017 4:52 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Ames Plantation

Hi, Rebeckah. Hope your week has been less hectic than Saturday, although I doubt you have many less-hectic weeks.

I mentioned to you and the Secretary that we host the National Birddog Field Trials each February at our Ames Plantation Research & Education Center (outside of Memphis). The Chancellor and I annually take special guests to ride horseback along with the dogs as they hunt quail. The night before we stay at Lone Oaks Farm, our 4-H & Conference Center near Ames. I invite you and the Secretary to attend this with us next February. We would like to share some of the hands-on work we're doing with youth, industry partners, local and national constituents, and our properties as they are integrated into our land grant mission. Will you look at your calendars and see if it might work? Here are two dates we can start with: February 13 and 14, 2018.

Ames Plantation – <http://www.amesplantation.org/>

Lone Oaks Farm – <https://www.loneoaksfarm.com/>

Thank you for getting back with me.

Keith

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Don Parrish](#)
Subject: Re: Any Word
Date: Thursday, August 31, 2017 12:31:34 PM

Got it now

Rebeckah Adcock
 Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

> On Aug 31, 2017, at 12:30 PM, Don Parrish (b) (6)@fb.org> wrote:

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> The certified NRCS determination.

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> Don R Parrish

> American Farm Bureau Federation®

> (b) (6)

> (b) (6)@fb.org

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> From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC [<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>]

> Sent: Thursday, August 31, 2017 12:26 PM

> To: Don Parrish

> Subject: Re: Any Word

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> Not yet - did you send the info?

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> Rebeckah Adcock

> Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov<<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>>

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> On Aug 31, 2017, at 11:40 AM, Don Parrish (b) (6)@fb.org<[mailto:\(b\) \(6\)@fb.org](mailto:(b) (6)@fb.org)>> wrote:

> Have you talked to the Corps?

>

> Don R Parrish

> American Farm Bureau Federation®

> (b) (6)

> (b) (6)@fb.org<[mail:\(b\) \(6\)@fb.org](mailto:(b) (6)@fb.org)>

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> <Diehl Meeting.pdf>

From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Richard Gupton](#)
Bcc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Re: ARA Petition to DOT / FMCSA regarding the Electronic Logging Device (ELD) regulations and upcoming compliance deadline
Date: Thursday, October 26, 2017 11:34:08 AM

Yes, always good to lodge these items in multiple places, please do send to docket.

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Oct 26, 2017, at 11:27 AM, Richard Gupton <(b) (6) @aradc.org> wrote:

Thanks for the quick response and help! We can post this on the USDA regulatory reform docket if that would help and necessary even though it is a DOT issue.

Glad Dudley has been able to join the USDA team. He will be missed at NASDA and the PPC.

Have a great weekend!

Best regards,

Richard

Sent from my iPad

On Oct 26, 2017, at 11:20 AM, Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

Thanks for send along. We are hearing much about this issue. I have shared the letter internally.

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Oct 26, 2017, at 9:40 AM, Richard Gupton <(b) (6) @aradc.org> wrote:

Rebeckah

I hope all is well with you. Attached is a copy of a petition / letter ARA submitted to Secretary of Transportation Chao and FMCSA Deputy Administrator Jefferson regarding the Electronic Logging Device (ELD) regulations. We appreciate

any help Secretary Perdue and USDA can provide within the Administration to delay this new regulation. Let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you for all your efforts on behalf of America's agricultural industry!

Best regards,

Richard

Richard Gupton

Senior Vice President, Public Policy & Counsel

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<ARA ELD DOT Petition Letter 25OCT2017.pdf>

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Kevin Paap](#)
Cc: [Young, Chris - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Amber Hanson](#)
Bcc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Re: At USDA today
Date: Friday, September 15, 2017 8:34:33 AM

If you are at USDA at 10:30, I can likely make that happen for at least a few mins -would love to see y'all! Tell me if that works? If so where to find you

Rebeckah Adcock
 Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

> On Sep 15, 2017, at 8:30 AM, Kevin Paap (b) (6) @fbmn.org wrote:

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> That must mean you're traveling as well, great meeting there yesterday with Turner and Kristi. Wondering if Rebeckah is available to stop and say hi?

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> Sent from K Paap's iPhone

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>> On Sep 15, 2017, at 8:22 AM, Young, Chris - OSEC, Washington, DC <Chris.Young@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

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>> That's awesome, Kevin.

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>> The Secretary is out touring storm damage in Georgia now, Florida later. Then on to Texas next week.

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>> There might not be lemonade yet ... not until the official name of the front porch is released. But I bet there will be popcorn.

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>> -----Original Message-----

>> From: Kevin Paap [mailto:(b) (6) @fbmn.org]

>> Sent: Friday, September 15, 2017 8:20 AM

>> To: Young, Chris - OSEC, Washington, DC <Chris.Young@osec.usda.gov>

>> Cc: Kevin Paap (b) (6) @fbmn.org; Amber Hanson (b) (6) @fbmn.org

>> Subject: [Possible Phished Email]At USDA today

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>> Touching base, Amber Hanson and I will be at RFD-TV today at 10:30. Wondering if there will be lemonade available in the "front porch"? Kevin Paap, President MN Farm Bureau

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>> Sent from K Paap's iPhone

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [\(b\) \(6\)@bcdtravel.com](#)
Cc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Trollinger, Shelia - OSEC](#); [Gordon, Julie - OSEC](#)
Subject: Aug 24-25 Travel to Georgia - Flights, Rental Car and Hotel
Date: Thursday, August 17, 2017 4:37:02 PM
Attachments: [image002.png](#)
Importance: High

John and Monica –

I need to book travel for next week including, flights, rental car and hotel (specified location) – thanks for your guidance and please guide me through whatever I do wrong since this is my first try at doing this!

1. **Flights** –
 - **THURSDAY, Aug 24** - Need to **Depart DCA to Arrive Atlanta (ATL)**. Specifics: The soonest I can depart DCA would be 11:30ish (should be able to check-in at DCA by 10:30ish): prefer to arrive mid- afternoon as trying to make an early evening event 1.5 hours away from ATL.
 - **FRIDAY, AUGUST 25** - Need to **Depart ATL** in early evening (3 hrs from where I will be in Tifton GA until 1:30 pm) or **VALDOSTA** in the late afternoon (closer to Tifton) **TO Arrive DCA**.
2. **Rental Car** – I **will need a rental car for this trip** to be picked up in ATL and returned wherever I depart.
3. **Hotel** – Need a hotel room for **(b) (6)** in Tifton GA for night of Thursday, August 24. This is where other USDA personnel are staying as well.

For your records and future use in travel planning, please include the following information in booking travel:

KNOWN TRAVELER NUMBER – **(b) (6)**

US Passport Number – **(b) (6)**

Rebeckah Freeman Adcock (Full Legal Name)

Birth: **(b) (6)**

Date Issued: **(b) (6)**

Expires **(b) (6)**

Below is a LIST of all my current Travel Program Membership numbers with * by the preferred companies for where price is comparable to use those companies.

(b) (6)

(b) (6)



Thanks!



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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: usda.vip@bcdtravel.com
Subject: Re: Aug 24-25 Travel to Georgia - Flights, Rental Car and Hotel [IDS: 45336]-
Date: Friday, August 18, 2017 1:10:46 PM

Yes! Works well. Thank you.

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Aug 18, 2017, at 1:09 PM, "usda.vip@bcdtravel.com" <usda.vip@bcdtravel.com> wrote:

Rebeckah,

Did you get the completed itinerary that you had requested??

John

VIP DESK BCD TRAVEL

----- Original Message -----
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2. Rental Car - I will need a rental car for this trip to be picked up in ATL and returned wherever I depart.

3. Hotel - (b) (6)

[REDACTED] This is where other USDA personnel are staying as well.

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Rebeckah Freeman Adcock (Full Legal Name)
Birth: (b) (6)
Date Issued: (b) (6)
Expires: (b) (6)

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American *AAAdvantage (Gold) (b) (6)
Delta Skymiles (b) (6)
United Mileage Plus (b) (6)
Southwest Rapid Rewards (b) (6)
Lufthansa Miles & More (b) (6)

Trains:

AMTRAK Guest Rewards (b) (6)

Rental Cars:

National *Emerald Club (b) (6)
Budget (b) (6)

Hotels:

Marriott Rewards (b) (6)
Hilton HHonors (b) (6)
Hyatt Gold Passport (b) (6)
Holiday Inn/Intercontinental (b) (6)

Thanks!

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Ed Ruckert](#)
Subject: Re: Availability
Date: Thursday, July 6, 2017 9:29:13 AM

Let's move to talk at 1:45pm instead

Rebeckah Adcock
 Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

> On Jul 6, 2017, at 9:06 AM, Ed Ruckert (b) (6) > wrote:

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> Great. Should I call you?

>

> Sent from my iPhone

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>> On Jul 5, 2017, at 8:26 PM, Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

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>> How about 11:30-45 time frame?

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>> Rebeckah Adcock

>> Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

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>>> On Jul 5, 2017, at 8:19 PM, Ed Ruckert (b) (6) wrote:

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>>> Rebeckah

>>> Are you available for a 5 minute call tomorrow any time after 11:30? Ed

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>>> Sent from my iPhone

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Ed Ruckert](#)
Subject: Re: Availability
Date: Thursday, July 6, 2017 9:11:34 AM

Yes on cell (b) (6)

Rebeckah Adcock
 Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [\(b\) \(6\)@nafoalliance.org](#)
Subject: RE: Background for Perdue Meeting
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2017 10:19:40 AM

Thank you!

Reb

From: Dave Tenny [mailto:[\(b\) \(6\)@nafoalliance.org](#)]
Sent: Friday, June 2, 2017 3:20 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Background for Perdue Meeting

Hi - Here are two documents for context on the Perdue meeting. The PDF is a platform document we prepared for the incoming administration. The Word document outlines the desired agenda and objectives for the meeting.

We can talk through this when we connect next week. Have a great weekend.

Dave

From: Dave Tenny
Sent: Friday, June 2, 2017 3:08 PM
To: 'Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC'
Subject: RE: Can't do 3:15, reschedule?

Let's plan for early next week. Tell me when, and I will make it work.

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC [mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov]
Sent: Friday, June 2, 2017 3:08 PM
To: Dave Tenny
Subject: Can't do 3:15, reschedule?

Dave – I so hate to do this, but have a bit of a situation to resolve before 4 pm that just popped up. Can I call you later today or early next week?

Reb

From: Dave Tenny [mailto:[\(b\) \(6\)@nafoalliance.org](#)]
Sent: Friday, June 2, 2017 2:13 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re: Meeting This Afternoon

Ok - I will call you at 3:15.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 2, 2017, at 12:59 PM, Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
<Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

We can

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Jun 2, 2017, at 12:46 PM, Dave Tenny (b) (6) [@nafoalliance.org](mailto:(b) (6)@nafoalliance.org)> wrote:

Hi, Rebeckah – would you mind if we talk by phone this afternoon rather than meeting? My schedule just became a little more complicated. I would like to send you some material ahead of the call to provide some context.

If this works for you, I can either call 720-3631 or another number you prefer. Thanks.

Dave

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [WHITESEL, AARON J.](#)
Subject: RE: Background materials for meeting with Secretary Perdue
Date: Monday, June 12, 2017 11:12:46 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Likely just me with the Secretary. Please confirm your list of attendees as well as any docs - preparing event brief doc that now that is due by noon.

Thanks, Reb

From: WHITESEL, AARON J. [mailto:(b) (6)@dupont.com]
Sent: Monday, June 12, 2017 10:34 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: Background materials for meeting with Secretary Perdue

Rebeckah,

Happy Monday. Looking at the beach from our week's condo in OC. Not a bad place to do some work.... Do you know who else might be in the meeting tomorrow morning with the Secretary?

Thanks!

Aaron

From: WHITESEL, AARON J.
Sent: Thursday, June 08, 2017 4:26 PM
To: 'Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC' <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: Background materials for meeting with Secretary Perdue

Happy to discuss further. Pulling internal docs together now. Here is what we are looking at but know we may not have time for all. the main thing is for Jim Collins and the Secretary to begin building a relationship.

In addition we will want to give him a merger briefing/update, talk about biotech in china/100 plan concerns, Part 340/labeling/gene editing, and invite him to iowa visit cellulosic ethanol facility/Johnston campus and or Indy once the merger happens. Again not going to try to fit that all in but what we are putting in his backgrounder depending on how the conversation goes. Again happy to discuss!

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC [<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, June 08, 2017 3:23 PM
To: WHITESEL, AARON J. <(b) (6)@dupont.com>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Background materials for meeting with Secretary Perdue

Aaron –

Happy to see DuPont on the calendar with Secretary Perdue next Tuesday morning. Would you have any background material on hopes to discuss for the meeting?

Kindly,



Rebeckah Freeman Adcock

Senior Advisor to the Secretary
Office of the Secretary

United States Department of Agriculture
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Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Lisa Van Doren](#)
Cc: [Hazlett, Anne - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: RE: barnyard meeting request
Date: Tuesday, September 19, 2017 2:35:10 PM

Let me work on this again.

From: Lisa Van Doren [mailto:(b) (6)@ncfc.org]
Sent: Tuesday, September 19, 2017 12:06 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Hazlett, Anne - OSEC, Washington, DC <Anne.Hazlett@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: barnyard meeting request

Circling back on this. Our group would still like to come brief you guys on where things stand re: CERCLA-EPCRA reporting requirements and our conversations with EPA.

The collaboration with first responders is ongoing (and a bit secondary to figuring out what to do in this bigger mess) but we can discuss that as well if you want. For you all, it could be as simple as having Sec. Perdue and Administrator Pruitt write a joint opinion piece that could be sent to all of the publications reaching rural America encouraging all livestock and poultry producers to engage with their first responders, with the assistance of the state extension programs. We'd (the barnyard) have to do a fair amount of prep work prior to that but there's a strong commitment to this.

Mainly, the group wants to make sure you're up to speed on where things stand with EPA and the (limited) options we have.

I've got my board in town tomorrow and Thursday so maybe early next week sometime. I can herd the cats on my end.

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC [<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, July 18, 2017 11:37 AM
To: Lisa Van Doren (b) (6)@ncfc.org
Cc: Hazlett, Anne - OSEC, Washington, DC <Anne.Hazlett@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: barnyard meeting request

Can you and I talk thru this maybe with Anne before we do a full meeting?

I've run 4 traps and even OGC, but nobody has any capacity with first responders similar to what seems to be needed. Trying to figure out how to problem solve without needing to 'create' (even if we did, it would take too long for this need).

Give me any and all contacts the group may have at any other agency impacted – willing to reach out to try be the broker to find options.

Reb

From: Lisa Van Doren [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\)@ncfc.org](mailto:(b) (6)@ncfc.org)]
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Subject: Re: barnyard meeting request

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LKV

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Subject: Re: barnyard meeting request

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Cheers,
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Date: Thursday, July 13, 2017 5:56:48 PM

I just don't know who communicates with local responders in any preexisting manner. Can't believe the courts made this absurd decision without any thought whatsoever as to how it might actually occur....then again yes I can.

Our GC is checking into it already. I know it seems simple but getting relief on this quickly will be very complicated. Bear with us.

Who are you working with at EPA at the policy level?

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Laura Knoth](#)
Subject: RE: Beau
Date: Thursday, November 9, 2017 2:52:19 PM

I heard she was here! Can't wait to run into her at FNS!

Reb

From: Laura Knoth [mailto:(b)@kycorn.org]
Sent: Wednesday, November 8, 2017 8:42 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Beau

Hi Rebeckah!

So good to reconnect with your friend Beau Greenwood. He brought a great message to this group. I shared that Emily Buckman from Brett Guthrie's Office is now at USDA. She's a great gal from Marion Co.

And the intern from Jamie's Office that I mentioned to you, Michael Mann, went to work in Brett's Office.

Love the small ag world!

Hope you're doing well!

Laura

Laura M. Knoth

Executive Director

Ky Corn Growers and Ky Small Grain Growers Associations

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To: [Stefan Maupin](#)
Subject: RE: Bio
Date: Tuesday, September 26, 2017 1:24:14 PM
Attachments: [R Adcock Resume Sept 17.docx](#)
[Bio - R F Adcock 2017.doc](#)

Mine? I'm just the token alum along for the ride...and, so I win that game wager with my boss!

Life's story attached.

See you soon! Reb

-----Original Message-----

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Sent: Tuesday, September 26, 2017 12:33 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Bio

I hate to bother you but do you have a bio on paper you could email to me. Some of the folks at UT have asked about your career and while I am familiar with your past I am vague on specific timelines, etc. if it has your academic background that would be good too.

Stefan Maupin

Sent from my iPhone

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Rebeckah Freeman Adcock

Qualifications

Environmental scientist, attorney, and public policy specialist with decades of legislative, regulatory and practical experience in environmental, agricultural, transportation and energy policy.

Experience

2017-Present *Senior Advisor to the Secretary* *US Department of Agriculture Washington, DC*

- Directly advise Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue on policy, and regulatory and operational matters.
- Designated as USDA's Regulatory Reform Officer (RRO), pursuant to Executive Order 13777.
- Under the Chairmanship of the Secretary, designated as manager of the President's Interagency Task Force on Agriculture and Rural Prosperity.

2010-2017 *Senior Director, Government Affairs* *CropLife America Washington, DC*

- Manage all government relations issues relating to the intersection of pesticide registration/use with water, domestic and international chemical laws, human health and air quality, including direct communication with the Hill and federal agencies.
- Manage state affairs and budgets for advocacy in the northeastern US.
- Organize and manage internal committees and leadership of conferences and meetings, including bi-annual meetings of Board of Directors, congressional 'fly-ins,' regional conferences and other events.
- Research and development of issue papers, letters, model legislation, public comments and other documents related to issue areas.
- Regular media contact and organization spokesperson.

2008-2010 *Counsel*

US Senate Committee on Environment & Public Works Washington DC *Senator James M. Inhofe (R-OK), Ranking Member*

- Policy and legal advisor to Senators on all issues relating to chemicals, water, chemical & water security, science policy, EPA budget oversight, children's health, property rights and endangered species within the Committee's jurisdiction.
- Prepare legislative materials for Senators and staff including legislation, letters, memorandums, talking points, speeches, statements and any other materials that support specific positions on issues.
- Conduct oversight of federal agencies within Committee jurisdiction whose actions impact issue areas, specifically, EPA, CEQ, USFWS, and NOAA-NMFS.
- Plan and manage all aspects of Committee/Subcommittee hearings within issue areas, including management of Committee confirmation of Presidential nominations.

2002-2008 *Director, Congressional Relations* *American Farm Bureau Federation Washington, DC*

- Manage issue and policies, and develop and implement long- and short-term action plans that lead to the accomplishment of organizational priorities - Issue areas include crop protection, chemicals, input security and environmental appropriations.
- Establish and maintain relationships with members of Congress and communicate organization policies and positions on legislation being considered before Congress, including letters, testimony and statements to congressional committees and regulatory agencies.

1998-2002 Director, Natural Resources

Kentucky Farm Bureau Federation Louisville, Kentucky

- Maintain regular contact with state and federal legislators, regulators and other interest groups regarding current environmental, agricultural and public policy.
- Manage outside legal counsel and advise member-leaders on legal issues.
- Department personnel management, as well as primary responsibilities for establishing policy strategy and implementation, including oversight of support staff and budget management.
- Representation on/to agency and legislative committees/task forces, including media contact and organization spokesperson.

1996 -1998 Legal Clerk/Summer Associate

Fowler, Measle & Bell LLP Lexington, Kentucky

Newberry, Hargrove & Rambicure PSC Lexington, Kentucky

1993 -1996 Environmental Scientist

Shield Environmental Assoc. Inc. Lexington, Kentucky

- Research, preparation and implementation of regulatory reports, compliance plans and remediation programs for NEPA, CERCLA/SARA/EPCRA, RCRA, CWA, SWDA, CAA and state and local reporting and compliance.
- Over 8,000 hours of experience conducting all phases of environmental activities, including excavation, supervision, sampling and analysis interpretation, removal/disposal and remediation of hazardous and toxic waste.

1988 -1991 Veterinary Assistant

Town & Country Animal Clinic Hazard, Kentucky

Affiliations

2016 Donald J Trump for President, Agricultural Advisory Committee (appointed)

2004-2008 Pesticide Policy Coalition, Chair – Responsibilities include; steering committee management, membership recruitment and retention, budget oversight, priority setting and work plan delegation.

2004-2008 EPA Pesticide Policy Dialogue Committee, Member (appointed)

2004 USDA IR-4 Commodity Liaison Committee, Member (appointed)

Leadership Kentucky, Class of 2000

Kentucky Bar Association

Kentucky Society of Washington

- *President Elect, 2017-18*
- *Bluegrass Inaugural Ball, 2017 Ceremony Chair*
- *Henry Clay Distinguished Kentuckian Awards Dinner, 2016 Event Chair*
- *Vice-President of Events, 2014-15*
- *Annual Pre-Kentucky Derby Party, Chair, 2012-14*

Honors/Awards

2016 Service to Agriculture Award, Natl Alliance of Independent Crop Consultants (NAICC)

2016 President's Award, CropLife America

2007 Agricultural Ambassador, CropLife America

Education

*1995-1998 University of Kentucky College of Law
Juris Doctorate*

- *Journal of Natural Resources and Environmental Law – Symposium Coordinator*
- *Trial Advocacy Board*

*1989-1992 University of Tennessee, Knoxville
Bachelor of Arts*

- *Individualized Program in Environmental Resource Management*
- *Dean's Student Advisory Committee*

Rebeckah (Freeman) Adcock serves as a Senior Advisor to Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue. At USDA, she manages and directly advises the Secretary Perdue on many policy, regulatory and operational matters. Adcock is also USDA's designated Regulatory Reform Officer (RRO), pursuant to Executive Order 13777, leading the effort to ease the burden of overregulation on the private sector. Further, under the Secretary's Chairmanship, Rebeckah is serving as manager of the President's Interagency Task Force on Agriculture and Rural Prosperity.

Prior to joining USDA, Adcock was Senior Director in CropLife America's Government Affairs division. She handled government relations issues relating to water, domestic and international chemical laws, human health, air quality as well as managing state affairs in the northeastern US.

Adcock has extensive knowledge of environmental law and public policy as well as strong legislative and regulatory experience. Including, serving as Counsel on the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works, for Ranking Member Senator Jim Inhofe (R-OK), where her portfolio included chemical and science policy, endangered species, property rights and all water related issues.

Before going to the Hill, Rebeckah served as governmental relations director at the American Farm Bureau Federation in Washington, D.C. and Kentucky Farm Bureau Federation in Louisville, where she managed a wide variety of state and federal environmental policy issues. She also worked for several years as an environmental scientist for a private remediation consulting firm.

Adcock served on EPA's Pesticide Policy Dialogue Committee, USDA's IR-4 Advisory Committee and is an emeritus chair of the stakeholders' Pesticide Policy Coalition.

Rebeckah earned an undergraduate degree in environmental resource management from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, and a Juris Doctorate from the University of Kentucky College of Law in Lexington. She is a native Kentucky, member of the Leadership Kentucky Class of 2000, and member of the state's Bar Association.

From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Allyson Alvaré](#)
Cc: [Trollinger, Shelia - OSEC](#)
Subject: Re: California Rice Commission Meeting Request
Date: Tuesday, June 20, 2017 1:18:49 PM

3:30 pm on the 27th work?

Rebeckah

From: Allyson Alvaré (b) (6) @russellgroupdc.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 20, 2017 8:01 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
Subject: RE: California Rice Commission Meeting Request

Great—thanks so much!

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC [mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, June 20, 2017 5:47 AM
To: Allyson Alvaré (b) (6) @russellgroupdc.com>
Subject: Re: California Rice Commission Meeting Request

Working on a time. Will let you know asap.

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Jun 19, 2017, at 2:16 PM, Allyson Alvaré (b) (6) @russellgroupdc.com> wrote:

Hi Rebeckah,

Hope you had a great weekend. Just wanted to touch base about scheduling a meeting with CRC. Any chance you might have some time on the afternoon of the 27th? If not we have some time on the 28th as well. Let me know what you might prefer. Thanks so much!

Allyson

From: Allyson Alvaré
Sent: Friday, June 9, 2017 8:05 AM
To: 'Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC' <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: California Rice Commission Meeting Request

Rebeckah, thanks so much for your response and willingness to meet. Tim and Nicole

are on the Hill at 11 on the 28th but open otherwise. Just let me know what might be best on your end. Again, thanks.

Allyson

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
[\[mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov\]](mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov)
Sent: Friday, June 9, 2017 7:57 AM
To: Allyson Alvaré <(b) (6)@russellgroupdc.com>
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Thank you for the outreach. I have availability on Wed, the 28th – is there particular times(s) you have in mind?

Rebeckah Freeman Adcock
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Subject: California Rice Commission Meeting Request

Hi Rebeckah,

Good afternoon. Hope you are doing well. I'm reaching out on behalf of our client, the California Rice Commission, in hopes of scheduling a brief meeting with you. On June 27 and 28, Tim Johnson, CRC's President and CEO, and Nicole Van Vleck with Montna Farms will be in Washington and are hoping to visit to discuss the use of pesticides in the rice industry.

Please let me know if you might have a few minutes on the 27th or 28th. Thanks so much for your consideration.

Allyson

The Russell Group

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Chandler Goule - FAS Contact](#)
Subject: RE: Call
Date: Thursday, May 11, 2017 10:39:05 AM

Call cell (b) (6)

From: Chandler Goule [mailto:(b) (6) @wheatworld.org]
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 10:38 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Call

We would like to have a quick call please. We have a conference line or we can call you on your cell. Please let me know.

Chandler Goule
Chief Executive Officer
National Association of Wheat Growers
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Send me news!

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Sounds like our meeting in the morning is off. We very much look forward to rescheduling. How can I help you in the new position?

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
[\[mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov\]](mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov)
Sent: Monday, June 12, 2017 5:27 PM
To: WHITESEL, AARON J. <(b) (6) [REDACTED]@dupont.com>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] call back at cell number below



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Subject: Call cell
Date: Wednesday, July 19, 2017 6:20:00 PM

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Troy Bredenkamp](#)
Subject: call me to get here
Date: Wednesday, May 24, 2017 6:36:17 PM

(b) (6)

From: Troy Bredenkamp [mailto:(b) (6)]
Sent: Tuesday, May 16, 2017 12:31 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re: My availability next week

I will make that work. Pencil me in. Looking forward to meeting with you and Heidi next Wednesday (5/24) at 1:30PM.

I will also trace back with Whatley to see if there is anyone else I need to meet with while I am in town. If there is anyone you can think of please let me know.

Thanks Rebeckah!

On Tue, May 16, 2017 at 11:20 AM, Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
 <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

Heidi and I can do the 24th at 1:30pm here at whitten bldg. that work for you?

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

> On May 15, 2017, at 10:29 PM, Troy Bredenkamp <(b) (6)> wrote:

>

> Hi Rebeckah-

>

> Thanks for the call back. I have yet to have the pleasure of meeting Heidi or Governor Perdue for that matter. Very much looking forward to it.

>

> In terms of dates before Memorial Day, I can make next week beginning Tuesday afternoon (5/23) through Thursday afternoon (5/25) work to make a trip out to meet with Heidi and whoever else I may need to discuss matters with. The sooner I know how things look for you and Heidi on your end, the sooner I can get some travel arrangements made.

>

> The week of Memorial Day will not work for me, (b) (6) so the next availability I would have is the week of June 5.

>

> Thanks Rebeckah, great to hear from you. If this works out it would be a lot of fun to work with you again!

>

> Regards,

>

> Troy Bredenkamp

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [\(b\) \(6\) @yahoo.com](#)
Subject: Campbell - OSEC Washington DC Shuford
Date: Thursday, August 3, 2017 6:16:36 AM
Attachments: [Campbell - OSEC Washington DC Shuford.vcf](#)
[ATT00001.txt](#)

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To: [Constance Cullman](#)
Subject: Re: Can I just say your boss is a genius?
Date: Wednesday, August 23, 2017 3:21:56 PM

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Aug 23, 2017, at 3:19 PM, Constance Cullman <(b) (6)@farmfoundation.org> wrote:

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From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
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Sent: Wednesday, August 23, 2017 2:18 PM
To: Constance Cullman
Subject: Re: Can I just say your boss is a genius?

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<(b) (6)@farmfoundation.org> wrote:

(b) (6)

So I will be in DC the evenings of the 18th, 20th, 21st.

(b) (6)

☺

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
[<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>]
Sent: Wednesday, August 23, 2017 2:12 PM
To: Constance Cullman

Subject: Re: Can I just say your boss is a genius?

Yes u asked already! Are u still thinking of staying longer?

Rebeckah Adcock

Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Aug 23, 2017, at 3:08 PM, Constance Cullman

<(b) (6)@farmfoundation.org> wrote:

☺ Miss you – will be in town September 18-22nd. Let me know if you will be around!

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC

[<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>]

Sent: Wednesday, August 23, 2017 1:56 PM

To: Constance Cullman

Subject: Re: Can I just say your boss is a genius?

Was planned long before, but it was smart and welcomed. He'd do it every day if operations director wasnt so freaked out. It does present challenges when 3K people bring there dogs in the same place at the same time!

Rebeckah Adcock

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On Aug 23, 2017, at 2:53 PM, Constance Cullman

<(b) (6)@farmfoundation.org> wrote:

☺ Glad you are not down and more glad that you are there to make things happen...still... a brilliant move!

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC

[<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>]

Sent: Wednesday, August 23, 2017 1:48 PM

To: Constance Cullman

Subject: Re: Can I just say your boss is a genius?

We are not down. We are on mission. He keeps us focused on the task at hand - USDA being lean, mean and ready for business.

Rebeckah Adcock

Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Aug 23, 2017, at 2:46 PM, Constance

Cullman <(b) (6)@farmfoundation.org>
wrote:

At a time when so much
criticism of the administration
might be getting his team
down, he has a "bring your dog
to work" day.

He is a good guy...and smart!

Jill looked fabulous by the way!
Hope she still will accept my
belly rubs!

Sent from my BlackBerry
Smartphone on the Verizon 4G
LTE Network

From:
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov
Sent: August 23, 2017 1:40 PM
To:
(b) (6)@farmfoundation.org
Subject: Re: Can I just say your
boss is a genius?

You can
Which time?

Rebeckah Adcock
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To: [Larew Robert - FASContact](#)
Subject: Can Roger come in this week
Date: Monday, July 3, 2017 5:20:01 PM

2:30 pm Wed or 5 pm Thurs?

Talked to the Secretary just back from China today, and would very much like to meet before your Board Meeting.

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To: (b) (6) [@aq.senate.org](#) James Glueck
Subject: Re: Can you call soon today re Thursday hearing?
Date: Tuesday, May 9, 2017 12:42:02 PM
Attachments: [image003.png](#)

Try again, sorry.

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [\(b\) \(6\) @nafoalliance.org](#)
Subject: Can't do 3:15, reschedule?
Date: Friday, June 2, 2017 3:07:43 PM

Dave – I so hate to do this, but have a bit of a situation to resolve before 4 pm that just popped up.
 Can I call you later today or early next week?

Reb

From: Dave Tenny [mailto:[\(b\) \(6\) @nafoalliance.org](#)]
Sent: Friday, June 2, 2017 2:13 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re: Meeting This Afternoon

Ok - I will call you at 3:15.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 2, 2017, at 12:59 PM, Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
 <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

We can

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Jun 2, 2017, at 12:46 PM, Dave Tenny <[\(b\) \(6\) @nafoalliance.org](#)> wrote:

Hi, Rebeckah – would you mind if we talk by phone this afternoon rather than meeting? My schedule just became a little more complicated. I would like to send you some material ahead of the call to provide some context.

If this works for you, I can either call [\(b\) \(6\)](#) or another number you prefer. Thanks.

Dave

David P. Tenny
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Washington, D.C. 20001
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To: [Heather, Sean](#)
Bcc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Re: Chamber Meeting Follow-up
Date: Friday, September 29, 2017 8:47:44 AM

Nothing imminent.

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Sep 29, 2017, at 8:18 AM, Heather, Sean (b) (6) [@USChamber.com](mailto: @USChamber.com)> wrote:

Don't want to be a bother, but did want to touch base and get a status report as it has been a while.

Thank you.

Sean

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[\[mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov\]](mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov)
Sent: Friday, August 18, 2017 11:02 AM
To: Heather, Sean
Subject: Re: Chamber Meeting Follow-up

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Cc: Botting, Alexander; Bachmann, Peter - OCR, Washington, DC
Subject: RE: Chamber Meeting Follow-up

Sean – I'm asking Shelia to find us a time to meet on this soon.

Thanks, Rebeckah

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Cc: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
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To: [Heather, Sean](#)
Subject: Re: Chamber Meeting Follow-up
Date: Wednesday, July 5, 2017 3:22:11 PM

Hi, Sean. Good timing. I am getting an internal briefing on this tomorrow morning. Will follow up with you to discuss further soon.

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Jul 5, 2017, at 2:42 PM, Heather, Sean <(b) (6)@USChamber.com> wrote:

Rebeckah –

Wanted to circle back on my note below and see if you have had a chance to look into the ISPM-15 exemption and the associated rulemaking.

Can we find a time to connect to see where things stand internally and going forward?

Sean

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To: [Mike Seyfert](#)
Bcc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Re: checking in
Date: Wednesday, September 20, 2017 1:12:42 PM

Oh dear.

Still voluntary water boarding...apparently I'm into that

Rebeckah Adcock
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On Sep 20, 2017, at 12:58 PM, Mike Seyfert (b) (6) [@fmc.com](mailto: @fmc.com)> wrote:

Your name came up in a discussion I had earlier this week. Hope you are surviving

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Mike

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
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Subject: Chris Young
Date: Thursday, August 3, 2017 6:17:29 AM
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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [James McVaney](#)
Subject: Re: CLI meeting
Date: Thursday, June 1, 2017 12:52:16 PM

Note Ag trade press reports of his travel out west this week.

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On Jun 1, 2017, at 12:39 PM, James McVaney (b) (6) [@bayer.com](mailto:(b) (6)@bayer.com)> wrote:

That's what I need. Thank you

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Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 11:44 AM
To: James McVaney
Subject: RE: CLI meeting

He left town on Tues.

From: James McVaney [[\(b\) \(6\)@bayer.com](mailto:(b) (6)@bayer.com)]
Sent: Thursday, June 1, 2017 11:43 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: CLI meeting

Thanks. The meeting was Tues and Wednesday of this week in DC. Was the sec around?

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I'm not certain as that request did not go thru me. It may be accurate though as the Secretary has and will be on the road a lot for lately and thru the summer – making up for lost time.

Would have to defer to scheduler, my COS and CLA/CLI on this one.

Reb

From: James McVaney [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\)@bayer.com](mailto:(b) (6)@bayer.com)]
Sent: Wednesday, May 31, 2017 10:09 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: CLI meeting

Did the meeting for the Sec with the CLI board get cancelled?

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To: [\(b\) \(6\) @yahoo.com](#)
Subject: FW: Communications Director Opening at NAFO
Date: Tuesday, June 13, 2017 6:26:01 PM
Attachments: [Comms Director position description Final.pdf](#)

From: Dave Tenny [mailto:[\(b\) \(6\) @nafoalliance.org](#)]
Sent: Tuesday, June 13, 2017 6:00 PM
To: [\(b\) \(6\) @nafoalliance.org](#)
Cc: Kate Gatto [\(b\) \(6\) @nafoalliance.org](#)>
Subject: Communications Director Opening at NAFO

Hello, everyone – NAFO is seeking a Communications Director to work with our outstanding new Communications VP, Kate Gatto. We would like to hire a generalist who is a strong writer and creative problem solver and who has experience in issue and/or advocacy communications. If you know of any good candidates, please ask them to contact us at jobs@nafoalliance.org.

Thanks in advance for your help!

Dave

Kate Gatto

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NATIONAL ALLIANCE OF FOREST OWNERS (NAFO) COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR

About NAFO

The National Alliance of Forest Owners (NAFO) is a leading national advocate of private forest owners, managers and organizations focused on advancing policies to protect and enhance the economic and environmental value of privately owned forests across the country. NAFO members represent more than 80 million acres of private forests in 47 states. This role is based in Washington, D.C.

Position Summary

NAFO's communications function provides a voice for private landowners in Washington, DC. As part of a renewed organizational focus on strategic communications, the Communications Director will assist in building an advocacy communications program from the ground up, using the most effective strategies, tools and targeting to influence policy makers, media and stakeholders. NAFO is seeking creative, dependable and highly motivated professional to be responsible for the deployment of a nimble, innovative and sophisticated advocacy communications program.

The Communications Director will be responsible for the day-to-day activity of NAFO's communications function, reporting to the Vice President of Communications. As part of a small-but-mighty team, the Communications Director will have both a regular set of responsibilities and room for exploration and growth. The ideal candidate will be a natural communicator and creative problem solver, capable of developing and delivering on a wide range of strategic communications, excited to take initiative and ownership, and with the ability to adapt quickly to meet changing needs and priorities.

Responsibilities

Strategic Planning Support

- Assist in the development of communications strategy to achieve NAFO's advocacy objectives.
- Think creatively about how to reach and engage highly targeted audiences.
- Identify opportunities and trends, analyze performance metrics, and offer new ideas to evolve communications strategies and approaches over time.

Communications Program Management

- Manage the moving pieces of a multi-faceted communications program involving regular daily responsibilities, coordination with industry partners and allies, and management of supporting consultants and vendors.
- Develop and deploy a wide range of traditional and cutting-edge communications tactics – social media, promoted/paid content, infographics and data visualization, thought leadership, and traditional media engagement.
- Communicate regularly with NAFO members, including written and verbal updates; support NAFO membership needs as they arise.

Advocacy Support

- Develop issue-specific messaging and materials for advocacy, including fact sheets, briefing materials, visuals and leave-behinds.

- Support the coordination of advocacy activities including Hill briefings and events, in collaboration with the Government Relations team.

Website & Social Media Management

- Assist in building out a strategic social media program.
- Manage a steady drumbeat of social media content; monitor and report on trends and analytics.
- Regularly update content on website and manage outside web vendors.
- Assist in maintaining contact database in Salesforce.

Relationships

- Build and maintain strong relationships with communications peers in Congress, the Administration, NAFO members, and a wide range of partners and allies.
- Build and maintain strong relationships with key media contacts.

Experience

- 3-5 years of experience supporting strategic communications, public affairs and/or issue advocacy campaigns. Advocacy experience preferred.
- Track record of success using traditional and social media to engage and influence target audiences and to effectively monitor, anticipate and respond to opposition. Basic design skills are a plus.
- Strong writer and editor, with a keen eye for detail and experience in persuasive writing and making an argument.
- Effective project manager, with the ability to prioritize, multi-task, and manage multiple workstreams.

Competencies and Attributes

- Excellent written and oral communications skills, with an interest in crafting creative and compelling arguments to be deployed across a spectrum of communications channels.
- Proven ability manage multiple projects and short deadlines, and to consistently produce high-quality work.
- Digital and social media savvy with an understanding of how digital can support advocacy in reaching a target audience and driving engagement.
- Natural communicator with curiosity to understand all sides of an issue. Interest and willingness to figure things out, and to learn and try new things.
- Ability to flex and adapt quickly to changes in issues or advocacy needs; able to thrive in a fast-moving environment.
- Ability to collaborate effectively across a wide range of partners and allies.
- Good judgement, ability to exercise discretion regarding matters of significance.

Interested? Send your resume with the subject line "Communications Director" to

jobs@nafoalliance.org.

From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: (b) [@bio.org](#)
Bcc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Confirming meeting today at 1pm
Date: Wednesday, October 25, 2017 7:01:28 AM

If still on, plan to discuss Reg reform process, and basic priorities. others (that aren't ex parte, of course)?

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Laura Knoth](#)
Subject: RE: Congrats and a request from Laura Knoth
Date: Monday, September 18, 2017 7:18:51 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Happy to meet him! The next couple of weeks are slap full for me, but please connect and we'll get him in the door as soon as I can muster!



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From: Laura Knoth [mailto:(b) (6)@kycorn.org]
Sent: Friday, September 15, 2017 3:51 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Congrats and a request from Laura Knoth

Hi Rebeckah,

Congratulations on your position at USDA! So happy to see you working with Secretary Purdue. He has hit the ground running and I'm sure it takes a major team to keep it that way! Glad you're a part of it!

I have attached a newsletter from Michael Mann, he's the newest intern in Congressman Comer's office as part of a new program that we are helping sponsor with Murray State University, the only college in Congressman Comer's district with an Ag college.

This is an ongoing Fellowship with more student leaders from Murray State coming to DC throughout the school year. We are excited about the impact it is having on these students and see it as a way to introduce them to agriculture policy and possibly a future helping agriculture in some capacity.

I'd like to help Michael make the most of his 6 weeks in DC by asking you to reach out to him if there is ever an opportunity for him to meet with you or USDA.

The first student to complete the Fellowship was Rebecca Mackey, in conversations with her and Dr. Tony Brannon, who is coordinating this effort, we found that what the students need most is a bigger, better network to help them learn all they can in a short time. She said she especially wanted to go into the USDA building and didn't get a chance to do that, darn it...

If you can help us help him by meeting with him, including him in events, etc. we would appreciate it and I know Michael will too!

Thank you,

Laura

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Caswell, Matt](#)
Subject: RE: Congrats!!!
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2017 9:24:34 AM
Attachments: [image003.png](#)

Hi, Matt! Yes, I would be happy to meet with y'all on the 27th. Let me know if that still works for you – I just came across this in the back log of email, so please forgive my delayed reply.



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From: Caswell, Matt

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Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 10:02 AM

To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>

Subject: Congrats!!!

Hey Rebeckah!

Congrats on the new gig! Very happy for you! Perdue looks like a great boss. What's your portfolio? I hope its biotech and CP!

I'll be out in DC in June and was wondering if I could stop by for coffee and get some insight into your thoughts on the new USDA Administration. Also, would love to talk about the Title 9 Energy Programs in the Farm Bill. Are you covering that? Can you tell me who is?

Anyway, would you be available to meet with me and my CEO around 2:00 on Tuesday, June 27th?

Again, awesome gig and very happy for you!

Best,
 Matt

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To: [Mark Rokala](#)
Subject: RE: Congratulations on USDA position
Date: Monday, August 21, 2017 12:45:54 PM

I'm on the road most of the next 2 weeks. How about the first week of Sept?

From: Mark Rokala [mailto:(b) (6)@rokala.com]
Sent: Monday, August 21, 2017 11:30 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: Congratulations on USDA position

Morning Rebeckah, I hope you have been able to enjoy some of August. I know your schedule is crazy.

But, would you have time for a quick cup of coffee towards the end of the week to talk about your work and some of the things I am working on? And, how I can be helpful to you. Pretty sure I do not have an ask for you at this time.

Mark Rokala

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC [<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, July 25, 2017 10:28 PM
To: Mark Rokala
Cc: Klippenstein, Brian - OSEC, Washington, DC; Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
Subject: Re: Congratulations on USDA position

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To: [Mark Rokala](#)
Cc: [Klippenstein, Brian - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: RE: Congratulations on USDA position
Date: Wednesday, July 26, 2017 11:05:06 AM

The Federal footprint is always an issue. What is owned is already an subject of discussion - though it will take some longer to term thinking to accomplish.

Open their ideas.

Let us know about meeting preferences.

Reb

From: Mark Rokala [mailto:(b) (6)@rokala.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 26, 2017 10:01 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: Congratulations on USDA position

I will let you know when they reschedule.

This is a question that may fit in your regulatory reform effort.

I have a neighbor in Minnesota that found me on my last visit to the farm to talk to me about land he owns that has a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Easement.

During the farm crisis of the 1980's, USDA's old Farmers Home Administration had two programs, one wrote down farmers debt by putting a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Easement on farm land in the 100 year flood plan, it was called "Debt for Wildlife" The farmer continued to own and operate his farm.

The other program focused on land that was in FmHA's inventory (foreclosed farms) by putting an easement on all the land that was in the 100 year flood plan and then selling the farm. He did not know the name of that program.

He had numerous questions. But, his ultimate goal is could the Trump Administration change the program to allow farmers to buy that land back from the federal government?

I told him I would ask.

I also told him that environmental groups would not like it, and of course, he said, "so what, they don't like any I do anyways. And, rural America voted for Trump."

Thoughts?

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Johansson, Robert - OCE](#); [Michelle Lane](#)
Subject: Connection re perspective on FPAC
Date: Wednesday, September 6, 2017 11:37:39 AM

Rob,

As promised to both of you, connecting you to Michelle for follow up re Deloitte activities in FPAC space.

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Lisa Van Doren](#); [Tkacz, Kailee - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Connection regarding DoD requirements
Date: Monday, October 9, 2017 4:06:17 PM
Attachments: [image002.png](#)

Kailee,

Please connect with Lisa VanDoren (also on this email) at NCFC regarding stakeholder concerns re DoD Food Ingredient Prohibitions and how USDA might be a constructive voice.

Thanks,
Reb



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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Deborah Atwood](#); [Johansson, Robert - OCE](#)
Cc: [Bachmann, Peter - OCR, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: RE: Conservation and Crop Insurance Data Initiative
Date: Monday, October 30, 2017 1:03:35 PM
Attachments: [image002.png](#)

Also, adding Peter Bachmann from OSEC.

Reb

From: Deborah Atwood [mailto:(b) (6)@merid.org]
Sent: Monday, October 30, 2017 12:21 PM
To: Johansson, Robert - OCE <RJohansson@oce.usda.gov>
Cc: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Conservation and Crop Insurance Data Initiative

Rob,

I know you are extremely busy! I was hoping to schedule time to meet with you the week of November 13. The AGree Conservation and Crop Insurance Task Force is in full implementation mode regarding our "Improving Ag Data Research and Analysis" initiative. Last week I had the chance to brief Rebeckah Adcock on our policy and legislative efforts and she suggested that we needed to brief you on what we are doing. If the week of November 13 doesn't work, please feel free to send me times that do.

Many thanks,
 Deb

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: (b) (6) @cassidy.com
Subject: RE: Cranberry Grower Mtg. Request
Date: Thursday, June 8, 2017 1:02:37 PM

Thank you!

From: Denison, Donna (WAS-CAS) [mailto:(b) (6) @cassidy.com]
Sent: Wednesday, June 7, 2017 6:43 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re: Cranberry Grower Mtg. Request

Rebeckah,

11:00 am I think will work best. We look forward to seeing you then. Additionally, will send electronic copies of issue briefs on Monday.

Best,

Donna Jo

On Jun 7, 2017, at 6:09 PM, Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
 <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

Those 11 or 11:15 time slots work

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Jun 7, 2017, at 3:35 PM, Denison, Donna (WAS-CAS) <(b) (6) @cassidy.com>
 wrote:

Rebeckah,

We have Member mtgs. at 10:15 am and 12:00 noon on the House side.
 Would 9:00 or 9:15am or alternatively 11:00 or 11:15 am work?

Thanks again!

DJ

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
[\[mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov\]](mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov)
Sent: Wednesday, June 07, 2017 3:25 PM
To: Denison, Donna (WAS-CAS)
Cc: Bernstein, Jordan (WAS-CAS)
Subject: RE: Cranberry Grower Mtg. Request

Oh dear, that is the one time slot that I'm holding for an interagency meeting on Tues, could literally do any other time on Tues between 10 and 2. Or some time open on WEd

From: Denison, Donna (WAS-CAS) [mailto:(b) (6)@cassidy.com]
Sent: Wednesday, June 7, 2017 3:15 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
 <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Bernstein, Jordan (WAS-CAS) <(b) (6)@cassidy.com>
Subject: RE: Cranberry Grower Mtg. Request

Rebeckah,

Absolutely would be interested in meeting with you and other appropriate OSEC staff. Tuesday with Wisconsin growers actually looks better than Wed. We could do a 2:00 p.m. or 5:00 p.m. – can you make either of those times work?

Ocean Spray Attendees would include:

Ocean Spray Growers/Attendees:

Mike, Becca, and David Bartling
 Craige Scott and Beth Oemichen and daughter Sidney Scott
 Bill Frantz, Ocean Spray
 Mike Viano, Ocean Spray
 Rich Stamm, Ocean Spray

Many thanks and look forward to seeing you!

Donna Jo

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
 [mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, June 07, 2017 2:47 PM
To: Denison, Donna (WAS-CAS)
Subject: RE: Cranberry Grower Mtg. Request

Donna Jo, hello!

I have scoured the Secretary's schedule those days and it just isn't possible. Next week is especially complicated that the Secretary and his wife are also officially moving house to DC next week, in between some travel and already committed to meetings.

Would the growers be satisfied with a meeting with senior OSEC

advisors? I should be to make that happen for one or more of us one of those days. Let me know if that is a possibility for them?

Kindly,

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From: Denison, Donna (WAS-CAS) [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\)@cassidy.com](mailto:(b) (6)@cassidy.com)]
Sent: Monday, June 5, 2017 1:15 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
 <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Cranberry Grower Mtg. Rquest

fyi – hope all is well with you at USDA and congrats! I sent in the meeting request below as instructed and wondering if there was anyone that I should follow up with as we have not heard anything back as of today.

Many thanks,

Donna Jo

From: Denison, Donna (WAS-CAS)
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 12:10 PM
To: 'scheduling@osec.usda.gov'
Subject: Ocean Spray Cranberries Meeting Request 6/14 or 6/15
Importance: High

Ocean Spray Cranberry growers (WI/MA), members of their Board of Directors and families will be in town **June 14 and June 15, 2017** and would like to see if Sect. Perdue will be available for a 30 minute meeting while they are in DC to introduce the cranberry industry and key issues facing cranberry growers and the cooperative.

The growers represent more than 700 cranberry farmers and multigenerational families who grow cranberries in WI, MA, NJ, OR and WA. The cranberry industry is very excited to meet Secretary Perdue and hope to have the opportunity to share with him the rich history of the industry and a number of issues surrounding the current oversupply, research on antibiotic resistance as well as labeling issues surrounding added sugar confronting the industry.

We look forward to hearing back from the Secretary and please let me know if provide any additional information you may need for consideration and potential scheduling of the requested meeting.

Best regards,

Donna Jo Denison

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Leonard Johnson](#)
Cc: [Johansson, Robert - OCE](#); [Larew Robert - FASContact](#); [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: RE: CRP Emergency Haying & Grazing Letter
Date: Thursday, June 22, 2017 9:50:35 AM
Attachments: [image003.png](#)

Roger –

Thank you for letter. We will get it to the Secretary and senior leaders today.

Kindly,



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From: Roger Johnson [mailto:(b) (6)@nfudc.org]
Sent: Wednesday, June 21, 2017 2:35 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Johansson, Robert - OCE <RJohansson@oce.usda.gov>; Larew Robert - FASContact (b) (6)@nfudc.org>
Subject: CRP Emergency Haying & Grazing Letter

Dear Rebeckah,

Please find attached a letter for Secretary Perdue from the presidents of the Minnesota, Montana, North Dakota, and South Dakota Farmers Unions and me regarding emergency haying and grazing on CRP land in the Upper Great Plains. Should you or the Secretary wish to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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To: [Young, Joby - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Cc: [Flippin, Stephen](#); [Miller, Jannine - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Bcc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Re: CSX Service
Date: Thursday, September 14, 2017 10:09:46 AM

Thanks, Joby.

I will work with Jannine to find a time to offer and we'll be back to you, Stephen.

Rebeckah Adcock

Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Sep 14, 2017, at 8:52 AM, Young, Joby - OSEC, Washington, DC

<Joby.Young@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

Thanks for reaching out Stephen. I've copied Jannine and Rebekah, who have been working on this issue. I'll let them coordinate with you to find a good time to connect. Hope all is well! Let's catch up soon.

-Joby

Joby Young

Chief of Staff – Office of Congressional Relations

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From: Flippin, Stephen [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\)@csx.com](mailto:(b) (6)@csx.com)]

Sent: Wednesday, September 13, 2017 5:30 PM

To: Young, Joby - OSEC, Washington, DC <Joby.Young@osec.usda.gov>

Subject: CSX Service

Joby –

Congratulations again on your position over at USDA.

I wanted to quickly reach out given the Secretary's recent letter to the Surface Transportation Board (STB) regarding CSX service issues. I'm attaching a link to the latest STB reports on CSX's service https://www.stb.gov/stb/railserviceissues/rail_service_update.html. Once this past week's numbers are updated you'll see that terminal dwell (trains/cars sitting in yards) decreased for the sixth consecutive week in a row, train velocity increased for the third week in a row, and customer complaints reduced to our regular weekly average (were

double during July and August).

As you possibly heard from the Secretary's meeting with the Georgia Agricultural Council, during July and August, CSX did experience service issues, most severely in its western network. CSX implemented significant changes quickly through its "Precision Railroading" operations causing some service disruptions by reducing resources, consolidating operating divisions, increasing service frequency, and retooling yards and terminals – and dealt with two derailments.

However, what you might not have heard is that CSX took actions to relieve the congestion and to increase communication with customers. We embedded customer service representatives within operations; increased communications between sales and customer representatives; enhanced our attention to core operating metrics to determine where best to address issues and add resources; participated in weekly operations calls with the STB; and reopened Avon, IN hump yard to help ease congestion. This has led to the improvements being reported to the STB and reduction in customer complaints.

Additionally, this weekend Hurricane Irma has impacted the eastern railroads with debris, down trees, lost power, closed ports, and embargoed freight. CSX is working on a speedy network recovery and have and will continue to maintain communications with the customers impacted.

We'd appreciate the opportunity to meet with the Secretary and/or appropriate staff to further share this message and to answer any questions. Thanks for your consideration and pointing me in the right direction.

Stephen Flippin
CSX, AVP Federal Affairs
(b) (6) direct

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To: (b) (6) @mwmlaw.com; [Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Klippenstein, Brian - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Cc: [Green, Heidi - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Dairy & School Nutrition meeting request - June 5-7
Date: Monday, May 15, 2017 11:11:28 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Laura –

Thanks for reaching out on milk and nutrition.

Those issues relate to more than member of OSEC so I'm cc'ing each person to determine who would be best suited and available to meet with your folks in June.

Kristi, handles most nutrition related issues and Brian handles most dairy.

I, of course, am happy to meet with you and your folks in conjunction with whatever is set up.

Kindly,



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From: Laura Phelps [mailto:(b) (6) @mwmlaw.com]
Sent: Monday, May 15, 2017 10:42 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: need advice on meeting request

Need your advice/help in getting an appointment with Wayne Watkinson (my boss) and Tom Gallagher, CEO of Dairy Management Inc. (the dairy checkoff), with the Secretary, Heidi, you or some combination thereof.

They specifically want to talk about Fuel Up to Play 60 -- an in-school nutrition and physical activity program sponsored by the National Dairy Council and NFL, in collaboration with USDA – and anything else of interest to USDA.

Tom will be in town Monday, June 5 through Wednesday, June 7, with just a couple of meetings already scheduled.

Can you let me know what I need to do?

Thanks.

Laura

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From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
To: (b) (6) @fb.org; (b) (6) @torrey.com; (b) (6) ; Anne Steckel - national Biodiesel Board
 (b) (6) @ardentstrategicconsulting.com; Brooks, Dana; (b) (6) ; Caroline Rydell
 (b) (6) @farmcreditbank.com; Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC
Subject: RE: Death of Joe Pearson, Tennessee Farm Bureau administrator
Date: Wednesday, August 30, 2017 3:26:03 PM

Coincidentally spoke with Stephan today and he told me this just happened (b) (6)

Such a dear man.

Reb

From: Mary Kay Thatcher [mailto:(b) (6) @fb.org]
Sent: Wednesday, August 30, 2017 3:22 PM
To: (b) (6) @torrey.com; (b) (6) ; Anne Steckel - national Biodiesel Board
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 (b) (6) @landolakes.com>; (b) (6) ; Caroline Rydell
 (b) (6) @farmcreditbank.com; (b) (6) @farmcreditbank.com>; Adcock, Rebeckah -
 OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>; Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC
 <Kristi.Boswell@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: FW: Death of Joe Pearson, Tennessee Farm Bureau administrator

From: Julie Anna Potts [mailto:(b) (6) @fb.org]
Sent: Wednesday, August 30, 2017 2:58 PM
To: Mary Kay Thatcher
Cc: SFB Administrators; SFB Presidents; AFBF ALL Personnel
Subject: Death of Joe Pearson, Tennessee Farm Bureau administrator

I'm sad to share the news that Joe Pearson, Tennessee Farm Bureau administrator, has passed away (b) (6). Please see the attached notification from TNFB President Jeff Aiken. We will share information about funeral arrangements as soon as we can. Our hearts go out to Joe's family and TNFB colleagues. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Lisa Van Doren](#)
Subject: Re: DoD Food Ingredient Prohibitions
Date: Tuesday, October 3, 2017 3:23:08 PM

Good Grief.
 Let me do some digging here.

Rebeckah Adcock
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On Oct 3, 2017, at 2:13 PM, Lisa Van Doren (b) (6) @ncfc.org wrote:

Good afternoon!

Nice event yesterday – clearly no shortage of issues to keep track of and here’s one more to add to your color-coded spreadsheet! Also, let me know when you’d like to meet re: CERCLA and I’ll herd the cats on our end.

Mid-August, several food companies were notified via memo (attached) from the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) that several ingredients would no longer be allowed in the military food service. They also requested that each company send reformulation plans by September 30, 2017. In talking with several of the different food companies engaged in the issue, most of the foods they supply would be impacted. For example, hydrogenated oils have been encouraged to replace partially hydrogenated oils; small amounts of trans fat is naturally occurring in many animal products such as beef and milk; and isolated soy protein is used in a variety of foods including cereals, energy/protein bars, breads, soups, salad dressings, cheese, and meat substitutes (such as tofu.) USDA nor FDA has issued guidance on many of these food ingredients.

Sen. Ernst's staff reached out to DLA for clarification on why they sent this memo. DLA indicated to Sen. Ernst’s staff that they would rescind the notice, however it did take some further communication before DLA actually sent out the notice to the food companies. (attached)

It is concerning that DoD would make food policy decisions without consultation from USDA or FDA, or the food companies themselves. This has been pulled back somewhat but groups are pursuing options via appropriations should they become necessary as DLA has indicated that they have not dropped the issue altogether. So something for USDA to be aware of and, if prudent, reach out to DLA as a resource going forward.

Below is a bit of email back and forth between the Ernst staff and DLA.

Mr. Wimple and Francis;

I’m writing today on behalf of Senator Ernst regarding your 08.17.17 Notice to NAPA

and MPA holders on newly prohibited ingredients, specifically the meat protein extenders Isolated Soybean Protein (ISP) and Soy Protein Concentrate (SPC). The Senator is interested in learning why these ingredients are now being prohibited, what led to this decision, and why it is being done in such an expeditious manner.

If you could please let us know:

- 1) What stakeholders were consulted in the process of making this determination*
- 2) What nutritional science this decision was based upon, and*
- 3) Why the suppliers were given only 45 days to comply*

Thank you in advance.

*Abbey Overland
Legislative Assistant
Senator Joni Ernst
111 Russell Senate Office Building
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In response to your inquiry; as early as December 2010, the Joint Subsistence Policy Board (JSPB) recommended changes to the DoD Menu Standards, including reducing or eliminating MSG, trans-fats and soy extenders in meats. These changes were incorporated into the DoD Menu Standards. The Services and the military nutrition community used these standards to develop the Healthy Base Initiative (HBI) and the Go4Green (G4G) Programs to promote healthier eating for optimum warfighter performance.

All Services have a voting member of the JSPB, where they manage and make decisions on what items will be served in their respective dining halls. The Services manage their food programs, and DLA acts on their behalf to ensure the food provided by our Prime Vendors complies with their nutritional requirements.

The Notice was intended to gather information on the items that are already in the military supply chain for which we do not have a specification or label. This information would be used to identify the prohibited ingredients and coordinate with the Services on which items they wanted retained or removed.

Based upon feedback from industry, DLA Troop Support will rescind the notification and undertake a review of industry concerns. DLA Troop Support will issue a Request for Information soliciting input from industry on the impact that removal of certain ingredients from foods will have on cost, manufacturing processes and product availability. DLA Troop Support will also engage in discussions with Subject Matter Experts in the Military Services. Following this review, DLA Troop Support will engage with the Military Services and industry representatives to determine how best to

proceed. DLA will inform the Committee prior to implementation.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Respectfully,

Cordell

Cordell C. Francis Jr.

*Deputy Director, Legislative Affairs
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As you mentioned in your response of September 15, "DLA Troop Support will rescind the notification and undertake a review of industry concerns. DLA Troop Support will issue a Request for Information soliciting input from industry on the impact that removal of certain ingredients from foods will have on cost, manufacturing processes and product availability. DLA Troop Support will also engage in discussions with Subject Matter Experts in the Military Services. Following this review, DLA Troop Support will engage with the Military Services and industry representatives to determine how best to proceed. DLA will inform the Committee prior to implementation."

However, we are hearing from food companies that they are still being notified of their need to submit lists of products with the listed ingredients. Additionally, these companies – and others – have not received notification from DLA that the notification is being rescinded. Given the looming deadline of September 30, could you please confirm with us that you have notified the companies of the change communicated to us on September 15?

The Senator appreciates you keeping her apprised of progress on this issue, and would like you to continue to engage with our office and with stakeholders in the food industry as the conversation progresses.

*Thank you,
Abbey*

*Abbey Overland
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<Notice to NAPA and MPA Holders.pdf>

<Notice from DLA re Rescission of the Prohibited Ingredients Notice.pdf>

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To: [Shipman, Hunt \(EXT\) - RMA](#)
Subject: RE: Dow AgroSciences CEO
Date: Monday, May 8, 2017 5:01:16 PM

I will nudge again – not a problem.

Reb

From: Hunt Shipman [mailto:(b) (6)@cgagroup.com]
Sent: Monday, May 8, 2017 4:58 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: Dow AgroSciences CEO

Rebeckah –

Hope you're well (and didn't have to go on a helicopter tour of Arkansas backwater this weekend).

After Lauren got back to me last week on this meeting, I've not been able to get any more insight on whether it is – or even might – happen. Megan has also not gotten an answer from Ray Starling. We were hoping there was coordination that was occurring between USDA and Ray that might be taking time. Any insight? I don't want to be a pest to anyone, but you know how CEOs can get....

Thanks!

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC [mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 2, 2017 11:57 AM
To: Hunt Shipman (b) (6)@cgagroup.com>
Subject: RE: Dow AgroSciences CEO

Lauren just got a heads up from me to expect

From: Hunt Shipman [mailto:(b) (6)@cgagroup.com]
Sent: Tuesday, May 2, 2017 11:54 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: Dow AgroSciences CEO

Roger. Thanks for the quick feedback.

Lauren.Sullivan@osec.usda.gov ?

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC [mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, May 2, 2017 11:53 AM
To: Hunt Shipman (b) (6) <[redacted]@cgagroup.com>
Subject: RE: Dow AgroSciences CEO

Yes, she is – provide details and ID timely topics that need to be discussed.

Reb

From: Hunt Shipman [mailto:(b) (6) <[redacted]@cgagroup.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, May 2, 2017 11:50 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Dow AgroSciences CEO

Rebeckah-

Hope you're continuing to settle in.

Tim Hassinger, DAS's CEO will be in Washington next week and Megan has sought our assistance in scheduling meetings for him with Secretary Perdue, on the Hill, and elsewhere on Wednesday, May 10.

I'm still getting details, but knowing time is short, I'm trying to get requests ready to submit. Is Lauren Sullivan the best person to submit the request to?

Thanks!

Hunt

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Page, Tim A. - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Cc: [Bradley McKinney](#)
Subject: Re: Email intro and meeting request
Date: Wednesday, August 9, 2017 1:12:39 PM

Next week is very tentative, best possibility would be 18th but still may not be back. Could book with Tim for then if it suits and I will be there if things level off with travel obligations.

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Aug 9, 2017, at 12:12 PM, Page, Tim A. - OSEC, Washington, DC
 <Tim.Page@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

I am available on the 16th. Rebeckah is out of the office that week. I would be more than happy to meet with you!

From: Bradley McKinney [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\)@torreydc.com](mailto:(b) (6)@torreydc.com)]
Sent: Wednesday, August 9, 2017 12:09 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Page, Tim A. - OSEC, Washington, DC <Tim.Page@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: Email intro and meeting request

No problem at all, I appreciate you getting back to me! And thanks for your willingness to visit with us about this. The focus on regulatory reform is extremely helpful, clearly, and we just want to ensure we give the right feedback at the right time.

Understand trying to thread the needle with scheduling. Are you, Rebeckah, available either the 17th or 18th? If so, Anne and I could meet on those dates. If not, then we would ask to visit with you, Tim, on the 16th, if you're available and willing. Again, thank you!

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From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
[\[mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov\]](mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov)
Sent: Wednesday, August 09, 2017 12:02 PM
To: Bradley McKinney <(b) (6)@torreydc.com>

Cc: Page, Tim A. - OSEC, Washington, DC <Tim.Page@osec.usda.gov>

Subject: Re: Email intro and meeting request

Sorry for the delay! On the road much of the few days and well into this month. I'm not in office on the 16th, but could meet week after and can also offer up connection with Tim Page, who is 2nd chair on all things Reg reform who may be available on the 16th.

Good news is, as noted in the notice, Reg reform for us is an ongoing process that we will continue to build into all we do as at USDA so we will be listening and fine tuning for a long time!

Rebeckah Adcock

Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Aug 9, 2017, at 11:57 AM, Bradley McKinney (b) (6) @torreydc.com wrote:

Hi again Rebeckah, hope you're well. I know your inbox must be filled with requests like these. Nonetheless, wanted to follow up to see if you might have time to visit with Anne Divjak, Dean Foods' head of government relations, Mike Torrey and myself? Thanks in advance for any time you're able to give us.

Brad McKinney

Director of Government Affairs

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From: Bradley McKinney

Sent: Friday, August 04, 2017 1:46 PM

To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC

<Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>

Cc: Tara Smith (b) (6) @torreydc.com

Subject: RE: Email intro and meeting request

Thanks for making the connection, Tara. Rebeckah, it's great to be in touch with you. Hope all is well in your (relatively) new role!

Like Tara mentioned, we work with Dean Foods, and they're interested in the "Identifying Regulatory Reform Initiatives" Notice that USDA put out on July 17.

We'd appreciate the chance to come meet with you to discuss the Notice

and how USDA will consider the comments submitted, and timing, among other things.

Would you be willing to meet with us? If so, are you available to meet on the morning of Wednesday, August 16th? Let us know what works best for you.

Looking forward to visiting. Thanks, Rebeckah!

Brad McKinney

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Cc: Bradley McKinney (b) (6) [@torreydc.com](mailto:brad@torreydc.com)

Subject: Email intro and meeting request

Hey lady! Hope you've been well and are keeping your head above water...

Wanted to do a quick email intro of one of my colleagues – Brad McKinney. He's point on a lot of our work with Dean Foods, and Dean is considering submitting comments on regulatory reform. He was hoping to get a chance to visit with you first, however. Brad is copied on this email to make it a little easier for y'all to connect.

In the meantime, holler when you're ready for an adult beverage break! I'm always looking for a good excuse, and you are definitely a good excuse!

Take care,

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Larew Robert - FASContact](#)
Subject: Re: Email test
Date: Tuesday, May 16, 2017 7:05:17 PM

Thank you for following up. Days go by quickly here! I will circle back as soon as am mtgs are over, or on commute in if 8-8:30 is an ok time for you?

Rebeckah Adcock
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> On May 16, 2017, at 6:50 PM, Rob Larew (b) (6) @nfudc.org> wrote:

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> It's been a day of phone tag. I tried your phone number several times. No voicemail is set up. An intern dropped your call once today. I'm sure your crazy with hearing et al.

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> I'm happy to talk. My mobile phone is (b) (6) .

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Hassinger, Tim \(T\)](#)
Subject: Re: Enlist corn approval
Date: Wednesday, June 14, 2017 9:05:20 PM

Mr. Hassinger:

Thank you for sending along this very hopeful news! I have just passed it along to the Secretary himself and I'm certain he will be very happy to receive it.

Kindly,

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Jun 14, 2017, at 6:44 PM, Hassinger, Tim (T) <(b) (6)@dow.com> wrote:

Mr. Secretary,

When we met last month, you indicated that we were on the verge of a breakthrough with China on biotech approvals. I am pleased to inform you that China has now granted import approval for Dow AgroSciences' Enlist corn trait. This is the first approval of a corn trait by China since 2014. We will now promptly launch Enlist corn in the U.S. for planting by farmers next year. As a result of your support through the 100 day agreement, we can finally bring this much-needed technology to American farmers.

We will continue to work with USDA and the Administration to complete the approvals of the remaining Enlist traits in China. If I can be of any assistance in that regard, please let me know.

Thank you for your efforts in support of U.S. agriculture.

Tim Hassinger
President and CEO
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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Peterson Laura USWS](#)
Subject: RE: FAQ
Date: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 6:28:54 PM

Very helpful - ok to use as briefing doc for the Secretary?

-----Original Message-----

From: Peterson Laura USWS [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\)@syngenta.com](mailto:(b) (6)@syngenta.com)]
Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 6:26 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: FAQ

Hi Rebeckah,

Thank you for your note. Attached is an FAQ. We look forward to seeing you soon and visiting with the Secretary. Thank you again for your time.

Kindly,
Laura

Laura Peterson
Syngenta Corporate Affairs
(b) (6)
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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Caroline Rydell](#)
Subject: RE: Farm Credit - Young Leaders at USDA on Wed at 10am
Date: Monday, July 24, 2017 10:48:59 AM

Reps from OSEC including me, and RD and likely Intergov & Stakeholder relations.

From: Caroline Rydell [mailto:(b) (6)@farmcreditbank.com]
Sent: Friday, July 21, 2017 3:18 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Farm Credit - Young Leaders at USDA on Wed at 10am

Rebeckah, we'll have about 25 people at the meeting on Wednesday morning. Attached are their profiles.

Would you give me sense of who will we meet with at USDA? We have an orientation with the group early next week and would like to give them as much insight about all of our meetings at that time.

This is our annual Young Leader Program so, as borrowers, we really don't ask them to advocate any particular issues, but rather are giving them the opportunity to meet with key individuals at USDA in an effort to learn more about the operations/jurisdiction of the Department (USDA does a LOT more than folks realize), programs for beginning, young farmers and then simply give our folks an opportunity to ask questions. I would anticipate program crop/FSA questions as many are in row crop production such as cotton, corn and wheat.

As background, this group encompasses young, beginning borrowers from our 5-state District (NM, TX, LA, MS and AL). These folks are hand-picked by our 14 Associations - many are active in Farm Bureau and other commodity organizations -- and are given a behind-the-scenes look into Farm Credit beginning in DC and ending on Wall Street where Farm Credit debt is traded. The purpose is to show them the importance of engagement/advocacy with our elected officials on issues important to agriculture and ultimately showing them the leadership opportunities within Farm Credit. I've attached the YLP Program agenda as well.

Thanks much – let me know what else is useful.

Caroline

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To: [Caroline Rydell](#)
Subject: RE: Farm Credit Event Coordination for Sec. Perdue -- Tuesday at JW Marriott
Date: Monday, July 24, 2017 10:27:46 AM

Clarifying event for his briefing later – understand there will be press in the room but this is not a Q&A event, correct – opening remarks only?

From: Caroline Rydell [mailto:(b) (6)@farmcreditbank.com]
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To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Farm Credit Event Coordination for Sec. Perdue -- Tuesday at JW Marriott

Rebeckah,

To assist with Secretary Perdue's remarks to Farm Credit's Week in Washington next week, we've attached a few items and included information below that will highlight the topics we will be discussing and the audience. We are expecting 630 attendees from all across the U.S. and Puerto Rico.

First, we've rolled out a new website www.farmcreditvoices.com dedicated to telling the stories of our customers. From here, you are able to go through each state, seeing Farm Credit's state impact as well as hearing stories of many of the customers who will be at our reception next Wednesday.

Secondly, you will find attached our talking points for Hill visits, RebuildRural Coalition one-pager, and Community Facilities one-pager. All should provide a glimpse into what we will be discussing next week.

Finally, we are excited to showcase our customers at our farmers market reception, next Wednesday, July 26 from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM at the Library of Congress. Below is a link to our invitation video. Also attached is our reception invitation.

- <https://drive.google.com/file/d/0BwRtKehmiUT3UExwcWJQRGhmNnM/view>

Please let me know if you have any questions. We look forward to having Secretary Perdue join us next week!

Thanks much.

P.S., I'll send a second email with information regarding our young leaders we're bringing to USDA on Wed.

Caroline

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To: [Constance Cullman](#)
Subject: RE: Farm Foundation Forum Prep
Date: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 11:02:02 AM

I'm on the call – do I have the right time and info?

-----Original Appointment-----

From: Constance Cullman [mailto:(b) (6)@farmfoundation.org]
Sent: Friday, May 19, 2017 1:55 PM
To: Constance Cullman; Sentino, Sabrina; Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC; Mark Scholl; Mary Thompson
Subject: Farm Foundation Forum Prep
When: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 10:00 AM-10:30 AM (UTC-06:00) Central Time (US & Canada).
Where: Call: 1.888.585.9008; Password: (b) (6)

Dear Commissioner Strain, Ms. Adcock, and Mr. Scholl-

If you are available during this time window, we would love to have a brief conference call to answer any questions you may have about our Forum next Wednesday and share what each of you would like to discuss. If this time does not work for you, please let me know and we will try to find an alternative window.

Thank you and best regards,

Constance

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Date: Friday, May 19, 2017 3:26:01 PM
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And, no paper or PP from me.

From: Constance Cullman [mailto:(b) (6)@farmfoundation.org]
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All the best!
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To: [Yvonne Lesicko](#)
Cc: [Adam Sharp](#); [Placek, Robert - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Jack Irvin](#)
Subject: Re: Farmer Names ASAP Today
Date: Monday, May 8, 2017 6:48:31 PM
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Thank you!

Rebeckah Adcock
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On May 8, 2017, at 6:08 PM, Yvonne Lesicko <(b) (6)@ofbf.org> wrote:

Rebeckah and Rob - I've attached bios and emails for Bill Patterson and Cy Prettyman who will be joining the Secretary for the lunch at 11:30. Tomorrow, I will be able to provide information on the two additional farmers that will be joining you at 1:45 for the roundtable.

Our members are aware that the timeline is still tentative but they have the general times reserved and know the location to be Consolidated Grain and Barge.

I'll be in contact tomorrow with the additional names. Thanks so much for this opportunity. Please let me know if you have any questions. Thanks, Yvonne

On Mon, May 8, 2017 at 2:41 PM, Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
 <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

Afternoon all:

As we discussed on Friday, Secretary Perdue will be in Cincinnati later this week (likely, May 11) to talk about trade and would very much like to meet with and have a small group of local, trade impacted farmers join him for this public event. Additionally, the Secretary is also hoping to meet with this small group (1-2 max from each state, or 3-5 max in total) in for a roundtable lunch before the public event.

Hopefully, you have been able to reach out to a few willing participant in the Cincy area who may be available and aware of the potential for USDA outreach and invitation.

Please send along those names, relevant info about the person and their contact

information as soon as you can.

Thanks for the help!

Rebeckah Freeman Adcock
Senior Advisor to the Secretary

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Yvonne Lesicko

Vice President of Public Policy

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: (b) (6) [@nasda.org](#) Bob Ehart
Subject: FW: FDA provides guide on FSMA compliance deadlines
Date: Monday, October 23, 2017 11:15:38 AM
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Bob-

Would you be able to provide an update to USDA on NASDA's perspective on the new guide released?



Rebeckah Freeman Adcock

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From: Rich, Michawn - OC, Washington, DC
Sent: Monday, October 23, 2017 11:02 AM
To: Blair, David D. - OC, Washington, DC <David.D.Blair@oc.usda.gov>; Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>; Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC <Kristi.Boswell@osec.usda.gov>; Mizrahi, Ella - OC, Washington, DC <Ella.Mizrahi@oc.usda.gov>
Subject: FW: FDA provides guide on FSMA compliance deadlines

From: POLITICO Pro Agriculture Whiteboard
Sent: Monday, October 23, 2017 11:01:43 AM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)
To: Rich, Michawn - OC, Washington, DC
Subject: FDA provides guide on FSMA compliance deadlines

By Helena Bottemiller Evich

10/23/2017 10:59 AM EDT

The FDA today posted [a new guide](#) to help farmers and food manufacturers figure out when they need to comply with sweeping new food safety regulations.

The suite of new rules, mandated by the Food Safety Modernization Act, applies to a wide variety of industries like growing produce and importing spices. The regulations take effect on a staggered timeline, depending on the size of operation.

The agency has released a visual breakdown of key dates that span from 2015 to 2024 [here](#).

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Date: Wednesday, August 23, 2017 10:20:15 AM

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From: Donnie Smith [\(b\) \(6\)](mailto:(b) (6))
Sent: Thursday, August 17, 2017 7:53 PM
To: Miller, Jannine - OSEC, Washington, DC <Jannine.Miller@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Gilson, Joseph - OSEC, Washington, DC <Joseph.Gilson@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re: Finalizing Tifton List

I think we have an awesome panel and audience.
Looking forward to a great event. If there is anything in Tifton that needs to be done, please let me know.

Warm regards,
Donnie

Sent from my iPad

On Aug 17, 2017, at 5:45 PM, Miller, Jannine - OSEC, Washington, DC <Jannine.Miller@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

Hi Donnie, thanks for this – although we are supposed to have up-to 40 seats in the audience, many need to be saved for press and staff. So we'll have to pare down the audience list from the list of 36 as it stands now. That said, I'll definitely make sure Chris & Sarah are included ☺

From: Donnie Smith [\(b\) \(6\)](mailto:(b) (6))
Sent: Thursday, August 17, 2017 3:52 PM
To: Gilson, Joseph - OSEC, Washington, DC <Joseph.Gilson@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Miller, Jannine - OSEC, Washington, DC <Jannine.Miller@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re: Finalizing Tifton List

Since we have 36 on our audience list and can seat 40, I have 4 more suggestions.

1. Chris Chammoun, Director Center of Innovation Agribusiness(newly appointed)

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2. Sarah Cook, Project manager COI Ag

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3. Jerry McKinnon, cattle farmer and diversified row crop

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4. Huntington Smith (b) (6) ...he and
Sec. SP talked hunting in past.

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On Aug 17, 2017, at 1:32 PM, Donnie Smith <(b) (6)> wrote:

Jannine,

List looks great. I suggest one addition to the panel per our discussion.

Jon Jackson
Former Army Ranger
Founder of STAG Vets and
Comfort Farms

Served as Co-Chair Ga Farmers for Trump (minority)

If we have to keep our panel to 21 members, I suggest moving Kent Fountain to audience. However I bet there will be someone that has a conflict and can't serve. Kent could be alternate.

Also please add to audience list.

Donnie Smith
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Willacoochee, Ga 31650

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Joseph, I will get the last 2 contact information by cob today. I also updated information on attendees, and removed some from the audience list that were on panel list.

Please keep me updated and let me know if I can provide additional assistance.

Warm regards,
Donnie

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On Aug 17, 2017, at 1:11 PM, Donnie Smith (b) (6) wrote:

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On Aug 17, 2017, at 12:10 PM, Gilson, Joseph - OSEC, Washington, DC <Joseph.Gilson@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

Donnie,

This is the list as it stands now – the top folks in grey (2-8) are Gary Black's and the others are your recommendations (9-21.) Hopefully we captured this correctly.

Additionally, proposed audience members are listed in the second table. Let us know if we need to move any of these audience members to the roundtable and if so which roundtable members we would bump to the audience (listed in alphabetical order by first name.)

Hoping to get invitations out first thing tomorrow morning pending additional approvals here at USDA.

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Joseph Gilson

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Joseph.gilson@osec.usda.gov

Roundtable Discussion Participants

1	Buddy Carter	Congress
2	Karl Zimmer	Premium Peanut, President
3	Wesley Langdale	The Langdale Company
4	Andrew Thompson	Thompson Farms
5	Andy Stone	Superior Berry
6	Jacklyn Ford	Dixon Gin (cotton)
7	Bill Brim	Lewis Taylor Farm
8	Lindy Savelle	Georgia Citrus Growers Assn & 1DogVentures
9	Jerome Crosby	Crosby Equipment, Blueberry processing owner, farmer
10	Young Kim	Digital Harvest
11	Dr. George Vellidis	Ag Engineer
12	Chad Ethridge	"Growing Georgia" / "Growing America"
13	Jimmy Webb	Harvey Jordan Farms
14	Calvin Perry	Stripling Irrigation Research Park
15	Skeeter McCorkle	McCorkle Nurseries
16	Drew Echols	Owner Jaemor Farms
17	Russ Goodman	Blueberry and Timber Farmer
18	Kent Fountain	Southeastern Gin and Peanut
19	Ben Evans	Coffee County Gin
20	Clarkie Leverette	Farmer, President Peanut Partner Buying Point
21	Gerald Long	GFB President

Proposed Audience Members

Anna Strickland	UGA Archway Program
Ashley Buford	Braxton Farms
Becca Creasy	Monsanto
Donnie Smith	Farmer
Brian Marlow	Tifton-Tift County Chamber of Commerce
Bryan Tolar	Ga Agribusiness
Caroline Lewallen	Jaemor Farms
Casey Cox	GA Assoc. of Conservation Districts/SW GA Farmer
Chip Blalock	Sunbelt Ag Expo
Chris Paulk	Paulk Vineyards
Clay Oliver	Oliver Farms
David Bridges	ABAC President
David Goodson	Goodson Pecan
Dolan Falconer	Scan Tech Sciences
Dr. Joe West	UGA Tifton
Erico Matto	Photosyntheix
Gale Cutler	Georgia EMC
Hattie Johnston	Common Market of GA
Jaymie Forrest	Scan Tech Sciences
Jennifer McMillan	Southern Grace Farm
Joe West	Dean UGA Tifton
Jon Jackson	Comfort Farms
Joseph Egloff	Rocking Chair Ranch
Karen Cashion	Ag Tech Conference of the South
Ken Corbett	Ken Corbett Farm
Larry Hanson	Valdosta City Manager
Laura Perry Johnson	Assc. Dean Extension
Lawton Pearson	Pearson Farms
Lily Rolader	Common Market of GA
Mike Couch	Central State Development Authority
Rev. Charlene Glover	Healthy Living Farm
Robert Dickey	Ga Representative, Dickey Peach Farms
Ronnie Lee	McCleskey Cotton
Trey Hodges	Swift Spinning
Tyler Harper	Ga State Senator, farmer
Van Grantham	Diversified farmer

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To: [Ted McKinney](#)
Subject: Re: Flake puts hold on top trade nominee over NAFTA concerns
Date: Thursday, November 9, 2017 9:36:26 PM

Welcome to D.C.?

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> On Nov 9, 2017, at 8:47 PM, Ted McKinney (b) (6) > wrote:

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> Subject: Flake puts hold on top trade nominee over NAFTA concerns

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> By Megan Cassella

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> is blocking the confirmation of one of President Donald Trump's top trade officials over concerns surrounding a controversial produce proposal the administration is championing in NAFTA 2.0, two sources told POLITICO.

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> Flake has placed a hold on the nomination of Gregory Doud to serve as chief agricultural negotiator at the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative because of a U.S. proposal aimed at protecting U.S. farmers from cheaper Mexican imports.

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> The plan, which has deeply divided<<http://go.politicoemail.com/?qs=4a5706851a1bb075e6979580c3606fd6806e254cdde2667cbc2ddba9f0c86c1348390edb4ca8b88949e999e7f7d91720>

> the U.S. produce industry, would make it easier for American growers to argue that Mexico is selling at unfairly low prices when certain crops are in season in a particular region. Growers would be able to bring anti-dumping and countervailing duty cases by domestic region and draw on seasonal data, a departure from current trade law, which requires a majority of the industry nationwide to wield at least three years of annual data to prove injury.

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> But critics including Flake, who has repeatedly clashed with the Trump administration and recently announced he would not

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> reelection in 2018, argue that such a proposal would raise costs and reduce selection of fruits and vegetables for U.S. consumers. If enacted, the produce proposal would likely help Southeastern growers in places like Florida and Georgia while hurting those in places like Flake's home state of Arizona, which is the largest U.S. port of entry<<http://go.politicoemail.com/?qs=4a5706851a1bb0754825e74573bcc0d13ebd8f4c1f0cd68e71b5a872cdd6569157415b61d27c055311038b29d606f8f4>

> for produce from Mexico.

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> The U.S.' plan has also ignited opposition<<http://go.politicoemail.com/?qs=4a5706851a1bb075a4355dc05478fc5de4f705d058bf070bf93b090605ee9d6736353fea52348b995710dce405b64012>

> from retailers, restaurants and dozens of business, industry and agricultural groups who fear it would give Mexico an incentive to retaliate in other areas.

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> "Efforts that will lead to unnecessary restrictions on trade with our North American partners will have devastating economic consequences both in Arizona and nationwide," Flake wrote in a letter<<http://go.politicoemail.com/?>

qs=4a5706851a1bb075896589b193c54246e90a5ce30e8a6f26296bf2ff6e3378a19cb2abc89d57c4d0e294669244e482f> sent Thursday to U.S. Trade Representative Robert Lighthizer, a copy of which was obtained by POLITICO. "By now, you are no doubt aware of a number of concerns regarding attempts to use the ongoing NAFTA negotiations to add ill-advised seasonal or regional components to the existing trade remedies available to perishable seasonal products."

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> The decision to block Doud, who was first nominated<<http://go.politicoemail.com/?qs=4a5706851a1bb075fd2e9c34a48607b04e11fbaddb813f8587087a89e14c55ed7b751fabf4c93c80e08ea9ea0434bdf5>> in June and breezed through his confirmation hearing early last month, is meant to get the administration's attention, and one source said it has so far been successful in doing so. Congress has yet to confirm any of Trump's nominees for the trade office besides Lighthizer, who took the helm in May.

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> A secondary effect might also be to entice action from major lobbying groups, including the American Farm Bureau Federation, who want to see Doud confirmed<<http://go.politicoemail.com/?qs=4a5706851a1bb07585c45a94a103ef4e91740f8ec29dc59eccf7a1e48138417869d4d91e79e4ccad6cc1eb4159cd91b9>> as quickly as possible but have so far stayed out of the swirling debate over the produce proposal.

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> "Hopefully, what this does is it gets other ag groups activated to say, 'Don't do this thing that's going to put at risk not only a nomination that we care about, but also our ag supply chains,'" one private-sector source said, noting that there has been widespread support for Doud across the agricultural industry.

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> "These are the guys who should care about retaliation," the source added, referring to ag industry groups. "These are the guys who should care about focusing USTR's energies on the pieces that really matter to them, as opposed to the seasonal produce proposal, that's going to cost more than it's worth."

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> It remains unclear what exactly Flake would like to see from the administration before he lifts his hold, which was not explicitly mentioned in the letter to Lighthizer. But he did ask in the letter whether USTR would commit to withdrawing the proposal at the upcoming round of talks, slated to begin next week in Mexico City.

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> Flake also asked for details on Mexico's and Canada's responses to the provision as well as on consultations that were held with industries that would be negatively affected by the proposal before it was put forward.

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> "Certainly, U.S. trade laws regarding dumping and unfair practices should be dutifully enforced and, in this instance, remedies have been sought and obtained under the existing process," Flake wrote. "I hope we can avoid courting unnecessary consequence for U.S. business and consumers and avoid creating unnecessary trade disputes."

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Mike Seyfert](#)
Cc: [Clovis, Sam - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: RE: FMC Meeting Request w/Secretary Perdue -- June 14
Date: Monday, May 22, 2017 12:30:44 PM

The most appropriate person for you to meet with here in OSEC is Dr. Sam Clovis, and he is available during that time (cc'd here).

Would 10 am, June 14th work for your team to meet here in OSEC offices?

Rebeckah

From: Mike Seyfert [mailto:(b) (6)@fmc.com]
Sent: Monday, May 22, 2017 11:23 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re: FMC Meeting Request w/Secretary Perdue -- June 14

Yes, correct. Thx.

Sent from my iPhone

On May 18, 2017, at 9:51 AM, Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
 <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

I will manage for now, have a couple good targets in mind – I gather from your email that before 11:30 (maybe lunch) would be the window, correct?

Reb

From: Mike Seyfert [mailto:(b) (6)@fmc.com]
Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2017 9:11 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re: FMC Meeting Request w/Secretary Perdue -- June 14

Rebeckah-

Understand and appreciate the opportunity to meet staff with a goal of working on face-to-face with the Secretary at a later date. Of course, we'd be happy to host him at the FMC Tower if he is ever in PA or Philly.

Let me know who I should work with to schedule the staff meeting. We are currently on the Hill doing meetings and a lunch with Zippy Duvall from 11:30 4:30 on the 14th. AFBF has indicated Zippy has been noticed he may have to be on the Hill, so that time over the lunch hour could possibly open up a bit.

Thanks,

Mike

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On May 17, 2017, at 4:36 PM, Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
<Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

Mike –

The schedule is getting brutal in June. Would you be agreeable to meeting with OSEC and senior staff in the R&D space on the 14th in the alternative?

We could aim to try again for a face to face with Secretary if this works for you.

Kindly,
Reb

From: Mike Seyfert [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\)@fmc.com](mailto:(b) (6)@fmc.com)]

Sent: Friday, April 28, 2017 3:39 PM

To: Sullivan, Lauren - OSEC, Washington, DC
<Lauren.Sullivan@osec.usda.gov>

Subject: RE: FMC Meeting Request w/Secretary Perdue -- June 14

Lauren-

Thank you. Please reach out to me at any time with any questions you may have.

Have a great weekend.

Mike

On Apr 26, 2017, at 1:14 PM, Mike Seyfert <[\(b\) \(6\)@fmc.com](mailto:(b) (6)@fmc.com)> wrote:

Heidi/Klip/Rebeckah-

Good afternoon. Congratulations to Secretary Perdue and all of you on his confirmation. (b) (6)

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On behalf of FMC's Global President of Agricultural Solutions, Mark Douglas, I would like to request a meeting with Secretary Perdue on Wednesday, June 14.

FMC recently announced it will acquire a significant portion of DuPont's crop protection business, including all of its existing Research and Development (R&D) assets. Mr. Douglas would like to answer any questions the Secretary may have regarding the announcement. He would also like to discuss how this acquisition will continue to ensure competition in the R&D and commercial sectors, so that producers will have access to new and innovative crop protection products.

I should also note that as part of this acquisition and continued business operations, FMC's current research farm in Sparks, GA will remain an important part of the company's R&D efforts.

For your information, Mr. Douglas is currently scheduled to have lunch with AFBF President Zippy Duvall on June 14. He will also meet that afternoon with Chairmen Roberts, Conaway and Grassley. Similar requests have been extended to Senator Stabenow and Congressman Peterson.

Thank you for your consideration of this request and we look forward to an opportunity to visit with the Secretary. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me with any questions you may have.

I'm also happy to reach out to the appropriate staff for scheduling if you can point me in that direction.

Regards,

Mike

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Mike –

Received and will see that it is considered.

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Jack Irvin](#)
Subject: RE: Follow Up
Date: Tuesday, November 7, 2017 10:50:24 AM
Attachments: [image003.png](#)

Thank you!



Rebeckah Freeman Adcock
 Senior Advisor to the Secretary
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United States Department of Agriculture
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From: Jack Irvin
 [mailto:(b) (6)@ofbf.org]
Sent: Tuesday, November 7, 2017 9:29 AM

To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>

Subject: Follow Up

Rebeckah,

Here is a follow up email per your conversation with Adam.

- Daryl Knipp is from (b) (6) where he produces cabbage and grain. He is the former chairman of the board at the farm cooperative Luckey Farmers, Inc. He has also served on the Sandusky County FSA Committee for eight years and as a member on the Ohio Farm Bureau State Board of Trustees.
- Joe Steiner is a grain farmer from (b) (6) and has farmed for over 35 years. His professional experiences also include work with the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction and the American Soybean Association. He also has served as a member of the Ohio Soybean Association and is very active in the Warren County Farm Bureau.
- Trish Levering is from (b) (6) and raises corn, soybeans and hay along with their herd of Angus and Simmental cattle. She is an active member of the Knox County Farm Bureau. Trish also serves as a 4-H adviser and on the Ohio Beef Expo Junior Show Committee

Jack Irvin
Sr. Director State & National Policy
Ohio Farm Bureau Federation

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(b) (6) [\[REDACTED\]@ofbf.org](mailto:[REDACTED]@ofbf.org)

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Sion, Roger \(US - Arlington\)](#)
Cc: [Page, Tim A. - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Lane, Michelle \(US - Arlington\)](#); [Kohli, Jitinder \(US - Arlington\)](#); [Byler, Daniel Mahlon \(US - Arlington\)](#); [Todd, Elinor \(US - Arlington\)](#)
Subject: Re: Follow up from yesterday's meeting
Date: Wednesday, August 2, 2017 9:16:52 AM

Thank you for all of the information and for the support Deloitte provides to USDA. I have several internal steps to take in order to formulate our plan of action. We will be in touch as soon as possible regarding next steps.

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Aug 2, 2017, at 7:52 AM, Sion, Roger (US - Arlington) (b) (6) @deloitte.com wrote:

Rebeckah,

Good morning. Just wanted to drop you a quick follow up note from our meeting yesterday. Thanks again for taking the time to meet with us yesterday. Glad to hear that you found the discussion to be of value. I corresponded with Tim yesterday afternoon, and he graciously offered to help coordinate the follow up meeting with OBPA, as well as any others that you feel should be involved. Please let me know if there's any additional information that you would like from us in order to provide Chris and Don with some context prior to that meeting.

In addition, I wanted to send you some background material on our transition labs. Please see the attached document. Happy to set up some time for us to discuss this service offering further and see how we might be able to customize a lab environment for you and your team.

Look forward to working with you.

Regards,
 Roger

Roger Sion
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<Brochure_Administration Transition Lab_Feb 2017.pdf>

From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Bill; Trollinger, Shelia - OSEC](#)
Subject: RE: follow up on Meeting Request re Merial meeting.
Date: Thursday, July 20, 2017 1:17:07 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Shelia –

Given Bill's parameters, would you find a time for us to meet next week. And, please extend the invitation to Brian K and Peter.

Thanks,



Rebeckah

Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

From: Bill [mailto:(b) (6)@agworkssolutions.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2017 11:06 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: follow up on Meeting Request

Rebeckah,

I wanted to follow up on my email yesterday. (b) (6)

(b) (6) and think it would be safe to say I could be back in DC by 2PM. I also (b) (6)

(b) (6) would need to leave DC about 1:30PM.

This is all to say that the meeting could be any time after 2PM Monday any time Tuesday and up till Noon on Wednesday.

Please let me know your availability. Steve Parker with Merial will need to make travel arrangements as he will be coming from Atlanta.

Thanks
 Bill

Bill Hawks
 CEO AgWorks Solutions LLC
 1004 East Capitol ST NE
 Washington DC 20003
 Phone (b) (6)

From: (b) @agworkssolutions.com
Sent: Wednesday, July 19, 2017 5:54 AM
To: Sullivan, Lauren - OSEC, Washington, DC
Cc: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
Subject: Re: Meeting Request

Lauren, Rebeckah,

Monday afternoon or any time Tuesday of next week are the best for me. Please let me know if this works for you.

Thanks

Bill

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.

From: Sullivan, Lauren - OSEC, Washington, DC
Sent: Tuesday, July 18, 2017 6:28 PM
To: (b) @agworkssolutions.com
Cc: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
Subject: Meeting Request

Hi there,

Heidi Green passed along your follow up meeting request and has asked that Rebeckah Adcock, Senior Policy Advisor to the Secretary, take this meeting. Your meeting request mentioned next week. Please provide a few times that will work next week and Rebeckah will confirm a time that is convenient on her end.

Thank you!

Best,
Lauren

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: (b) (6) [@enbridge.com](#)
Subject: Following up
Date: Tuesday, October 3, 2017 4:05:49 PM

Randy Dowdy, landowner in Georgia.
Agreed to easement for line on frontage property also used for crops.
Sable contractor used.

Thanks, Reb
Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Jeffrey Breneman](#); [Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: RE: Food Safety Event
Date: Tuesday, September 12, 2017 2:20:57 PM
Attachments: [image003.png](#)

Hi, Jeffrey and thanks for passing along the invite.

Things are bit crazy this week, but if I am able to break away from office before 7:30 tomorrow, I do my best to stop by.



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From: Jeffrey Breneman

[mailto:(b) (6)]@spectrumpublicaffairs.com]

Sent: Tuesday, September 12, 2017 1:43 PM

To: Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC <Kristi.Boswell@osec.usda.gov>

Cc: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>

Subject: Re: Food Safety Event

Thanks, Kristi!

On Sep 12, 2017, at 12:38 PM, Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC
 <Kristi.Boswell@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

Rebeckah,

I wanted to connect you with Jeff Breneman. He has a client who will be in town this week and they will be hosting a reception. I explained that I am recused from food safety, but that you would be someone from USDA that may be able to attend.

Thanks,

Kristi J. Boswell
 Senior Advisor to the Secretary
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 Cell: (b) (6)

From: Kristi Boswell [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\)](mailto:(b) (6)@spectrumpublicaffairs.com)]

Sent: Tuesday, September 12, 2017 12:34 PM

To: Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC <Kristi.Boswell@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Food Safety Event

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Jeffrey Breneman (b) (6) <jeff@spectrumpublicaffairs.com>
Date: September 7, 2017 at 2:00:15 PM EDT
To: Kristi Boswell (b) (6) >
Subject: Food Safety Event

Hey Kristi!

My Michigan client, the International Food Protection Training Institute (IFPTI) is having their annual Fellowship Program reception next Wednesday night at The Liaison. Would love to have you swing by if you can....we are honoring a Fellow from Georgia and Sen. Stabenow is the honored guest. I've attached the flyer and info on the program. I know the Hurricane stuff probably has you spinning, but if you can make it, we'd love to have you.

I'm looking forward to finally catching up with Matt when I get back into DC next week....we're having lunch on Tuesday. Can't wait to give him a big hug.

Hope to see you soon....preferably at Shelly's.

Jeff

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<IFPTI Fellowship Digital Invitation .pdf>

<FellowsMap.pdf>

From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Lane, Michelle \(US - Arlington\)](#)
Subject: Re: Forrester CSDC Conference--Panelist?
Date: Wednesday, September 6, 2017 3:30:10 PM

2 part answer- I am solid booked for all practical purposes on 13th. Next week is like prison, for real.

And, word from up ladder is she isn't ready for us to talk about customer service efforts until we have more up and running.

Very sorry to have to decline.

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Sep 6, 2017, at 1:46 PM, Lane, Michelle (US - Arlington) (b) (6) <[@deloitte.com](mailto:(b) (6)@deloitte.com)> wrote:

3-3:30. And you get a pass for the whole event...

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
[\[mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov\]](mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov)
Sent: Wednesday, September 6, 2017 1:38 PM
To: Lane, Michelle (US - Arlington) (b) (6) <[@deloitte.com](mailto:(b) (6)@deloitte.com)>
Subject: RE: Forrester CSDC Conference--Panelist?

What time is the panel on 13th?

From: Lane, Michelle (US - Arlington) <[mailto:\(b\) \(6\)@deloitte.com](mailto:(b) (6)@deloitte.com)>
Sent: Wednesday, September 6, 2017 11:21 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Forrester CSDC Conference--Panelist?

Hey there,

We are co-sponsoring the Forrester CXDC event and they are looking for a participant in the civilian sector that has insight into the customer service and customer experience and the challenges/opportunities these transformations have in government. Panelists are asked to share their views on a unified customer experience in the federal space. The panel is 9/13 and is 30 minutes long.

Would you be interested in the participating in the panel or have a recommendation from USDA? With all the transformational efforts happening at USDA around customer, it seems like a good platform. Here is the link to the event.
<https://events.forrester.com/ehome/index.php?eventid=210952&>

Please let me know as soon as you can if you or someone else from USDA can participate.

Michelle

PS: (b) (6) so I will see you at the FAS interview on Thursday.

Michelle C. Lane, PMP

Specialist Leader | Deloitte Consulting, LLP

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Lane, Michelle \(US - Arlington\)](#)
Subject: Re: Forrester CSDC Conference--Panelist?
Date: Wednesday, September 6, 2017 11:32:37 AM

You have more faith in me than I do in that space. Let me run up the chain, but fear I would be out of my depth.

(b) (6)

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Sep 6, 2017, at 11:20 AM, Lane, Michelle (US - Arlington) <(b) (6)@deloitte.com> wrote:

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Michelle

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Mary Thompson](#)
Subject: RE: Foundation invitation
Date: Wednesday, August 30, 2017 3:45:09 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

So sorry, I haven't had a 30 min chunk of time during business hours of late – I hope to have a few of those on travel tomorrow and Friday. Is that too late?



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From: Mary Thompson [mailto:(b) (6)@farmfoundation.org]
Sent: Tuesday, August 29, 2017 5:29 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: JP at New Nine (b) (6)@newnine.com>; Constance Cullman (b) (6)@farmfoundation.org>
Subject: FW: Foundation invitation

Rebeckah,

We know you have a busy schedule but if time permits, we would appreciate your insights about the Foundation to incorporate into our new branding efforts.

John-Paul Paonessa at New Nine Media is heading up the work for us. You can contact him at: (b) (6)@newnine.com

We appreciate your contributions to the effort.
 Thanks
 mmt

From: Mary Thompson
Sent: Thursday, August 17, 2017 10:28 AM
To: 'rebeckah.adcock@osec.usda.gov' <rebeckah.adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Foundation invitation

Rebeckah,

Farm Foundation is redesigning its website. This work includes a branding component to help us determine how the organization is perceived, identify messaging opportunities, and identify how the site design can better support user needs.

As part of this process, New Nine, the company doing the redesign, would like to interview stakeholders, as well as industry influencers.

You are among the individuals we have asked New Nine to interview. If you are agreeable to this, New Nine will contact you via e-mail within the next week to set up a time for the telephone interview, which may take about 30 minutes. Topics include general web use, how you use the current Foundation site and expectations.

If you prefer not to participate, please let me know as soon as possible.

We appreciate your time and contribution to this effort. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Thanks
mmt

Mary M. Thompson
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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Shipman, Hunt \(EXT\) - RMA](#)
Subject: Re: Fsis/eggs
Date: Wednesday, August 23, 2017 12:39:06 PM

If needed, I am happy to talk with them in sept. Not personal to MS that I am aware of. The chaos is ours.

Rebeckah Adcock
 Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

> On Aug 23, 2017, at 12:18 PM, Hunt Shipman (b) (6) @cgagroup.com> wrote:

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> Thanks for the feedback.

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> Re eggs - yes, just trying to qualitatively understand the level of engagement from OSEC on this and if there are other issues at play that may not be readily apparent.

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> RE IT - they're chomping at the bit to meet with someone. They're worried that his frustrations are misdirected and that a previous OCIO decision to bar remote access to Office 365 is in whole/part to blame. And, more importantly, that this comes back to bite them down the road on unrelated matters. The feedback is helpful, and I'll try to hold them off. But a chance for them to hear directly and understand more what's being contemplated (and hopefully be a part of that rebuilding) would be appreciated.

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC [<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>]

> Sent: Wednesday, August 23, 2017 11:59 AM

> To: Hunt Shipman (b) (6) @cgagroup.com>

> Subject: RE: Fsis/eggs

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> RE eggs, that's likely to be Klipp and me - have you talked directly with FSIS yet?

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> RE IT, hold tight - USDA is undergoing significant adjustment, revisioning and rebuilding of that entire capacity - it's a long term thing. Keep communicating with me for now and I will insert into the conversation where and when appropriate. This is a very high level process for the foreseeable future.

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> REb

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Hunt Shipman [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\) @cgagroup.com](mailto:(b) (6) @cgagroup.com)]

> Sent: Wednesday, August 23, 2017 11:32 AM

> To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>

> Subject: RE: Fsis/eggs

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> Rebeckah -

>

> Sorry to be a pest, hoping to get your take on eggs when you have a minute. Also, another issue has popped up I was hoping for some direction/intel from you on.

>

> We represent Microsoft and have picked up that the Secretary has been frustrated by issues surrounding mobile email access and document collaboration. We also understand that there's been some friction between OSEC and the CIO office, which has a number of vacancies. The Department has already purchased Microsoft products, and we're confident that we can get the right people to address his specific issues, but think its best accomplished with a conversation with the right person on the Secretary's staff, who then gives some direction for USDA staff to work with the Microsoft personnel.

>

> My assumption is that Chris Young might be the right person for that, given my understanding that he most frequently travels with the Secretary and probably hears his frustrations and knows what he wants. If my assumption is right, I don't know Chris and would appreciate an introduction. If there's someone else you think would be better, I'd welcome that direction, also.

>

> To be clear, this isn't about selling "stuff" to USDA -- this is just about ensuring that the Secretary gets to use what USDA's already purchased in ways he wants to so that his frustrations don't tarnish the company's standing with the Department in the future.

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> Thanks!

>

> Hunt

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC [<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>]

> Sent: Monday, August 14, 2017 5:55 PM

> To: Hunt Shipman (b) (6) @cgagroup.com>

> Subject: Re: Fsis/eggs

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> It is me and Klippenstein. I'm on travel and will be back late this week

>

> Rebeckah Adcock

> Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

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>> On Aug 14, 2017, at 3:36 PM, Hunt Shipman (b) (6) @cgagroup.com> wrote:

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>> Rebeckah-

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>> Hope you're well and things are a little calmer at USDA these days. Does FSIS fall in your portfolio? Hoping to chat sometime about egg imports from Europe and some problems with drug residues. If not you, can you point me in the right direction?

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>> Thanks!

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>> Hunt

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>> Hunt Shipman

>> Principal & Director

>> Cornerstone Government Affairs

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Kristin Landis](#)
Subject: RE: FW: Today
Date: Wednesday, October 25, 2017 9:13:02 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Just spoke with your assist – will be there at 12:15!

From: Kristin Landis [(b) (6)]
Sent: Wednesday, October 25, 2017 9:12 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re: FW: Today

Wonderful! Can you do noon? If not, we can rearrange to make 1 work.

On Wed, Oct 25, 2017 at 9:10 AM, Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

I have it on my calendar for 1pm – is that correct or do you need me there earlier?

[(b) (6)] – maybe next week?



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From: Rebeckah Freeman [mailto:[(b) (6)]]
Sent: Wednesday, October 25, 2017 9:08 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Fw: Today

Rebeckah (Freeman) Adcock

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From: Kristin Landis <(b) (6)>
To: Rebeckah Adcock (b) (6) >
Sent: Wednesday, October 25, 2017, 3:23:21 AM EDT
Subject: Today

Hello,

I oddly don't have your work email. Are you still planning on joining BIO today for lunch? (b) (6)
(b) (6) Maybe with Danielle Quist?

Kristin

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Dana O'Brien](#); [Klippenstein, Brian - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: RE: FYI -- BIO letter to BRS re: new/changed regulatory requirements imposed on field trials of GE crops
Date: Friday, June 9, 2017 7:54:13 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Thank you for looping us in.



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From: Dana O'Brien [mailto:(b) (6)@bio.org]
Sent: Thursday, June 8, 2017 8:19 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>; Klippenstein, Brian - OSEC, Washington, DC <Brian.Klippenstein@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: FYI -- BIO letter to BRS re: new/changed regulatory requirements imposed on field trials of GE crops

Brian and Rebeckah.

I want to ensure you have a copy of this correspondence from BIO to USDA re: some of our concerns related to new/changed regulatory requirements imposed on field trials of GE crops. Let me know if you have any questions or would like to talk more about this issue.

Dana.

From: Clint Nesbitt
Sent: Thursday, June 08, 2017 3:23 PM
To: Jhee, Edward M - APHIS <Edward.M.Jhee@aphis.usda.gov>
Cc: Firko, Michael J - APHIS <Michael.J.Firko@aphis.usda.gov>
Subject: BIO meeting with BRS on May 23

Hello, Ed—

Thanks again for agreeing to meet with BIO and several reps from member companies on May 23. We appreciated the opportunity to share with you some of our concerns related to new or changed regulatory requirements imposed on field trials. Please find attached a letter that captures some of the issues we raised, which we hope will help move the conversation forward. Perhaps we can find a time this summer to continue our discussion of these and other related issues.

Thanks again, Ed.

Best,

Clint

Clint Nesbitt

Director, Regulatory Affairs, Food & Agriculture

Biotechnology Innovation Organization | 1201 Maryland Avenue SW Ste 900 | Washington,
DC 20024

(b) (6) | (b) (6) [@bio.org](#)

From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Joe Bischoff](#)
Subject: Re: GE Petunia
Date: Tuesday, May 16, 2017 12:24:24 PM

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On May 16, 2017, at 12:21 PM, Joe Bischoff (b) (6) [@cgagroup.com](mailto:(b)(6)@cgagroup.com) wrote:

Ha!
 We could do that all day with issues
 Honey – Pollinator issues
 Sweetie – GE sugarbeets
 Cutie – Clementines and HLB

Thank you Rebeckah.
 — Joe

From: Rebeckah Adcock <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Date: Tuesday, May 16, 2017 at 12:15 PM
To: Joe Bischoff (b) (6) [@cgagroup.com](mailto:(b)(6)@cgagroup.com)>
Subject: Re: GE Petunia

And here I thought you were just using a term of endearment?!

Let me figure out who to include in this discussion and thank you for the information.

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On May 16, 2017, at 11:55 AM, Joe Bischoff (b) (6) [@cgagroup.com](mailto:(b)(6)@cgagroup.com) wrote:

Hi Rebeckah,

We recently learned that there are petunias being sold throughout the US with an un-approved GE trait. Apparently, the trait (orange flower pigment from corn) was first transformed into a petunia in the late 1980s and made it's way into breeding lines. Nobody – or at least none of the right people – knew until last week, when a European lab looked for and found promoter and terminator sequence from the

transforming vector.

I think someone from the industry (not me) went to BRS. Mike Firko then sent out a letter (attached) to breeders and growers. Do you have any suggestions on who I should talk to about this?

It is a giant mess, which has the potential to get much trickier from a public relations stand point and many growers might be left holding the bag.

Thanks
Joe

Joe Bischoff, PhD | Senior Vice President
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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Anne MacMillan](#)
Subject: RE: GMO bill
Date: Tuesday, July 18, 2017 2:07:51 PM

Brian Klippenstein

-----Original Message-----

From: Anne MacMillan [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\)@invariantgr.com](mailto:(b) (6)@invariantgr.com)]
Sent: Tuesday, July 18, 2017 12:23 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: GMO bill

Who is running point on this in the cage? :)

Anne

Anne MacMillan
Invariant
(b) (6)

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Wagoner, Patricia M \(Trish\)](#); [Barke, Sam - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [King, Charles - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Cc: [Barber, Keith](#); [Stearns, Lisa](#); [Johnson, Karen](#); [Hall, Beth Nicole](#); [Hulsey, Jean M](#)
Subject: RE: Golf carts/Tour
Date: Friday, September 29, 2017 2:06:35 PM

Looks good to me.

Adding EPO.

Reb

From: Wagoner, Patricia M (Trish) [mailto:pwagoner@utk.edu]
Sent: Friday, September 29, 2017 2:02 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>; Barke, Sam - OSEC, Washington, DC <Sam.Barke@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Barber, Keith (b) (6) @utfi.org>; Stearns, Lisa <lstearns@tennessee.edu>; Johnson, Karen <kjohns12@utk.edu>; Hall, Beth Nicole <bhall20@utk.edu>; Hulsey, Jean M <jmhulsey@tennessee.edu>
Subject: Golf carts/Tour

Rebeckah and Sam,

Per conversation

Cart 1	Cart 2	Cart 3
1 Amy – student driver	1 Susan – student driver	1 Sam student driver
2 Secretary Perdue	2 Rebeckah	2 Taylor Crowe
3 Agent	3 Michawn	3 Sam
4 Dr. Cross	4 Lisa	4 Keith

Gardens stop – we will have Cross/Stearns/Barber get off and Sue and James and another tour guide will hop on for tour.

Thanks

Trish

From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Constance Cullman](#)
Subject: RE: Good news on May 24th
Date: Friday, May 12, 2017 4:41:18 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

When send me final on other panelists, since I won't know them all and also any particular parameters you want me to details other than just what USDA is doing.

From: Constance Cullman [mailto:(b) (6)@farmfoundation.org]
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 6:18 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: Good news on May 24th

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Talk to you soon,
 Constance

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Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 5:29 PM
To: Rebeckah Adcock -
Subject: Good news on May 24th

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Best,
 Constance

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Constance Cullman](#)
Subject: RE: Good news on May 24th
Date: Thursday, May 11, 2017 7:01:40 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

So far as I know! Yes!

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To: [Constance Cullman](#)
Subject: RE: Good news on May 24th
Date: Thursday, May 11, 2017 7:00:57 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

I can't read it – don't have service. Send to me- had liked my silent, deadly status ☹

From: Constance Cullman [mailto:(b) (6)@farmfoundation.org]
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 6:21 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: Good news on May 24th

Oh and congrats on the snazzy AgriPulse article! ☺

From: Constance Cullman
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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Don Parrish](#)
Subject: Re: got a minute?
Date: Thursday, August 24, 2017 10:17:13 AM

Yes, late am I have block waiting at airport

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Aug 24, 2017, at 9:00 AM, Don Parrish (b) (6) [@fb.org](#)> wrote:

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202-406-3667
(b) (6) [@afb.org](#)

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Jeffrey Sands](#)
Subject: RE: Greetings
Date: Wednesday, June 7, 2017 3:21:08 PM

Yep, soon!

Rebeckah Freeman Adcock

Senior Advisor to the Secretary
Office of the Secretary

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Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeffrey Sands [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\)](#)]]

Sent: Wednesday, June 7, 2017 11:47 AM

To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>

Subject: Greetings

Reb,

Great to see you last night. I can appreciate that you are busy as all get out, all the same....let's try to catch up for a cup of coffee soon.

Look forward to speaking soon. All the best!

Jeff Sands

(b) (6)

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Lane, Michelle \(US - Arlington\)](#)
Subject: RE: Happy to run into you yesterday
Date: Wednesday, August 23, 2017 5:04:58 PM

Yes! But, I get on a plane for GA tomorrow. I'm back on Tues – can that work for you? Almost only opening is 11:30-12:30, or after 5pm.

Next Wed am I am in office but not much open.

Reb

From: Lane, Michelle (US - Arlington) [mailto:(b) (6)@deloitte.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 23, 2017 4:49 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Happy to run into you yesterday

Hi Rebeckah,

Good to see you in the People's Buffet. Very happy to see you survived your days on the bus. I hope that bus was a bit more comfortable than a Greyhound!

As I said, I wanted to follow up with you on 4 items...

1. CIO Report we discussed (handing that in tomorrow to a vacant desk...)
2. Foreign Ag Interview for our Org Assessment project
3. Heads-up on a deliverable for AMS (customer focused but potentially controversial on GMO labeling rule)
4. Regulatory Reform Follow-up

Would you mind if I scheduled 30 mins before you depart on you next set of planes, trains and automobiles? I'm in Whitten tomorrow and can drop in to check with your admin.

Whatever works for your schedule will work for me, even if it's a rest-stop in rural Ohio!

Michelle

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Ed Ruckert](#)
Cc: [Edward Ruckert](#)
Bcc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Re: Hass Avocado Board
Date: Monday, November 6, 2017 1:37:51 PM

Hi, Ed.

Your thinking is accurate but we and the Secretary are now keenly aware of the many boards and approaching timelines.

I will also connect you with the best person ASAP.

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

> On Nov 6, 2017, at 1:24 PM, Ed Ruckert (b) (6) > wrote:

>

> Rebeckah,

> I don't know if this is in your bailiwick but I was asked to follow up on the status of the nominations to the Hass Avocado Board that implements the Hass Avocado Promotion, Research and Information Order. We represent the California Avocado Commission. Inquiries from the industry to AMS have indicated that the nominations are at the Secretary level. I suspect that the delay has less to do with the nominees but more to deal with other pressing matters the Secretary has to address as well as any White House office of personnel approvals that might be needed. The Board has its next meeting scheduled for Nov 15 and that is what is causing the matter to surface. Can you suggest someone in the Secretary's office that I can follow up with on this? Trust all is going well for you. Regards, Ed

>

> Sent from my iPhone

From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: (b) (6)
Subject: Heidi - OSEC Washington DC Green
Date: Thursday, August 3, 2017 6:16:13 AM
Attachments: [Heidi - OSEC Washington DC Green.vcf](#)
[ATT00001.txt](#)

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Michael Berson](#)
Cc: [Young, Chris - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Re: Hello / Touching Base re: Interagency Taskforce on Rural Prosperity
Date: Friday, June 16, 2017 11:54:43 AM

Absolutely, Michael. I will get back with you on a good open time asap.

Kindly,
 Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Jun 16, 2017, at 9:39 AM, Michael Berson <(b) (6)@arlaw.com> wrote:

Great. Thanks, Chris. I really appreciate it as I know y'all have a lot going on right now. Look forward to talking soon.

Rebeckah – It's a pleasure to meet you (via email). Would you have a second for a quick (1-2 min) call one day next week?

Thanks!

Michael

From: Young, Chris - OSEC, Washington, DC [<mailto:Chris.Young@osec.usda.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, June 15, 2017 8:27 PM
To: Michael Berson
Cc: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
Subject: RE: Hello / Touching Base re: Interagency Taskforce on Rural Prosperity

Dear Michael,

All is well, thanks. The task force, which was announced in April, held its first formal meeting today. Rebeckah Adcock is presently our Senior Advisor with this as part of her portfolio. She is copied here.

Thank you,
 Chris

From: Michael Berson [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\)@arlaw.com](mailto:(b) (6)@arlaw.com)]
Sent: Thursday, June 15, 2017 11:25 AM
To: Young, Chris - OSEC, Washington, DC <Chris.Young@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Hello / Touching Base re: Interagency Taskforce on Rural Prosperity

Chris – Hope all is well. I know you have a lot going on right now, but I was wondering who would be staffing the sec with respect to the interagency taskforce that was just announced? We represent a number of local governmental entities in Alabama

(including a couple of water authorities/utilities boards), so I was hoping to connect (via telephone) if at all possible.

Thanks,

Michael

Michael Berson

Associate

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Jeff Speaks](#)
Bcc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Re: hello from Jeff Speaks
Date: Monday, October 9, 2017 10:42:38 AM

For now, Friday a teleconference got added in right up to 2pm. Might be a couple minute off the mark but still just check in at 200A for the wait

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Oct 8, 2017, at 8:23 PM, Jeff Speaks [\(b\) \(6\) @jbsgov.com](#)> wrote:

You still ok for 2pm Tuesday? Appreciate the time and look forward to catching up.

Jeff

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
[\[mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov\]](mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov)
Sent: Thursday, October 5, 2017 8:45 AM
To: Jeff Speaks [\(b\) \(6\) @jbsgov.com](#)>
Subject: Re: hello from Jeff Speaks

Can u do 2pm?

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Oct 5, 2017, at 8:38 AM, Jeff Speaks [\(b\) \(6\) @jbsgov.com](#)> wrote:

Wonderful and thank you – how about 3pm on Tuesday? That good for you? just come to main desk off of the mall? Again, really appreciate it.

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
[\[mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov\]](mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov)
Sent: Thursday, October 5, 2017 8:30 AM
To: Jeff Speaks [\(b\) \(6\) @jbsgov.com](#)>
Subject: Re: hello from Jeff Speaks

I have availability in the pm both days

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Oct 5, 2017, at 8:25 AM, Jeff Speaks (b) (6) <[REDACTED]@jbsgov.com> wrote:

Would you have a few mins for me to come by next Tuesday afternoon (10th) or any time Thursday (12th)? thanks in advance.

Jeff

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC

[mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, October 4, 2017 8:51 AM

To: Jeff Speaks (b) (6) <[REDACTED]@jbsgov.com>

Subject: Re: hello from Jeff Speaks

So sorry for delay, when are you in DC next?

Rebeckah Adcock

Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Oct 4, 2017, at 8:40 AM, Jeff Speaks (b) (6) <[REDACTED]@jbsgov.com> wrote:

Rebeckah:

Hope you're doing well and sorry for the email out of the blue but got it from a friend of mine as I had been wanting to catch up with you, say hello, congrats and hope you're having fun. I'm in KY the next few days but hope to catch up at some point soon and hear about your new adventure and, of course, bother you with a couple of things haha. Look forward to catching up, please let me know if you need anything and hope to visit with you soon.

Jeff

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Tara Smith](#)
Subject: Re: Hello!
Date: Monday, May 1, 2017 2:36:58 PM

Call me on work cell (b) (6)

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On May 1, 2017, at 1:43 PM, Tara Smith <(b) (6)@torreydc.com> wrote:

I suspect you've guessed correctly! So Wisconsin Dairy Business would ultimately like to set up a meeting between some dairy farmers and processors and the Secretary to discuss ultrafiltered milk trade with Canada and a long-term strategy to improve access to Canadian market.

They will be in Washington, D.C. for a fly-in on June 22 but would be willing to fly in to D.C. separately for a meeting. Of course, if the Secretary has a trip in the works for Wisconsin, they would always be happy to host a discussion there.

Let me know what you think or if you need additional information. I know it's a big ask, but I also know it's a big issue and that the President has put it on a national stage.

Take care,
 Tara

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
[\[mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov\]](mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov)
Sent: Monday, May 01, 2017 1:20 PM
To: Tara Smith (b) (6)@torreydc.com>
Subject: RE: Hello!

To date, I am the only other new advisor ☺, so we just take'em as they come in. Let me circle around internally to see who would pick things up. We have all been talking dairy and trade, so give me specifics - though I think I can guess ;).

Reb

From: Tara Smith [\[mailto:\(b\) \(6\)@torreydc.com\]](mailto:(b) (6)@torreydc.com)
Sent: Monday, May 1, 2017 1:07 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Hello!

I hope you're getting all settled in down at USDA! Quick question – of the new senior advisors that have come on board is anyone in particular point on dairy and/or trade?

Wisconsin Dairy Business is one of our clients, so we are interested in scheduling some meetings. However, I HATE to keep going to Heidi and Klipp for absolutely everything since I know they're swamped. Any guidance would be greatly, greatly appreciated.

Take care,
T

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Constance Cullman](#)
Bcc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Re: Help?
Date: Sunday, September 10, 2017 2:53:44 PM

(b) (6)

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Sep 10, 2017, at 10:48 AM, Constance Cullman (b) (6) [@farmfoundation.org](mailto:) wrote:

Hi Reba.

I am sorry to bug you with this but was wondering if you had any ideas?

Sent from my BlackBerry Smartphone on the Verizon 4G LTE Network

From: (b) (6) [@lakevieworganicgrain.com](mailto:)
Sent: September 9, 2017 2:17 PM
To: (b) (6) [@LILLY.COM](mailto:); (b) (6) [@lilly.com](mailto:);
 (b) (6) [@farmfoundation.org](mailto:); (b) (6) [@noble.org](mailto:); (b) (6) [@farmfoundation.org](mailto:); (b) (6) [@bipartisanpolicy.org](mailto:); (b) (6) [@torreydc.com](mailto:);
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 (b) (6) [@thepeoplesgroup.net](mailto:); (b) (6) [@farmfoundation.org](mailto:)
Subject: Help?

Hello All,

I apologize in advance for bothering all of you with a mass email Saturday afternoon at 3 O'clock on a longshot. I don't know whether anybody on this list can help with this but I ran out of other ideas.

We have a crisis on our hands that needs to be resolved immediately.

We have a large field day/ workshop meeting scheduled on Monday for farmers to hear a German scientist who does cutting edge work with soil health, no-till, and organic farming techniques. This meeting was set up for him to share his research and field trials with farmers from across the northeast. I have posted his email below:

If we wait until Monday to deal with this he will not make it to this meeting. (b) (6)

(b) (6)

Thank you!

(b) (6)



From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Tara Smith](#)
Subject: RE: Hey lady!
Date: Thursday, October 12, 2017 2:39:36 PM

Give me until the following week 25th-26th – will be burning major 24 hr oil next week getting report ready for POTUS
 #iwillbeworthless

From: Tara Smith [mailto:(b) (6)@torreydc.com]
Sent: Thursday, October 12, 2017 2:23 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: Hey lady!

(b) (6)

[REDACTED]

Tara Smith
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 C: (b) (6)
www.torreydc.com

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC [<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, October 10, 2017 4:36 PM
To: Tara Smith <(b) (6)@torreydc.com>
Subject: Re: Hey lady!

October is a death march. Make me leave the building soon

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Oct 10, 2017, at 3:45 PM, Tara Smith <(b) (6)@torreydc.com> wrote:

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Take care,
 Tara

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Joel Leftwich](#)
Subject: RE: Hey there
Date: Wednesday, October 11, 2017 1:22:52 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[image002.png](#)

Next Wednesday

From: Joel Leftwich [mailto:(b) (6)@gpg.com]
Sent: Wednesday, October 11, 2017 9:41 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Hey there

Hey there Rebekah! Good seeing you yesterday and let's get together for lunch or coffee. Your schedule is busier than mine but I'll throw some suggestions out.

How about next Wednesday or Friday?



JOEL LEFTWICH
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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Andrew Walmsley](#)
Subject: RE: Hola
Date: Thursday, May 4, 2017 8:56:02 AM

70% will make in person, depending on how much I get done here in next 30 mins. Will confirm at 9:30 .

Talk to y'all soon.

From: Andrew Walmsley [mailto:(b) (6)@fb.org]
Sent: Thursday, May 4, 2017 7:52 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: John Goldberg (b) (6)@sciencebasedstrategies.com>; Dana M. O'Brien (b) (6)@bio.org>
Subject: RE: Hola

Thanks Rebeckah. We hope to see you, but if not, call-in information is below:

Call-in: 800-768-2983

Passcode: (b) (6)

Thanks again for finding the time.

Andrew

Andrew Walmsley
Director, Congressional Relations
American Farm Bureau Federation®
Phone: (202) 406-3686
Cell: (b) (6)
(b) (6) [@fb.org](#)

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC [<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>]
Sent: Wednesday, May 03, 2017 9:20 PM
To: Andrew Walmsley
Cc: John Goldberg; Dana M. O'Brien
Subject: Re: Hola

Klippenstein is on travel, so I will plan to be available at 10am if that works. May be able to walk over to AFBF if morning stays sane.
 Send me a call in # just in case, and I will let you know in the am whether I can make it in person.

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On May 2, 2017, at 1:02 PM, Andrew Walmsley (b) (6)@fb.org wrote:

Thanks Rebeckah and John. Attached and pasted below is the draft agenda. We would love to have you or the appropriate person from USDA join anytime between 9 and 11 a.m.

Ag Biotech Alliance

May 4, 2017

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

American Farm Bureau Federation
600 Maryland Ave, SW Suite 1000W
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AGENDA

- 1. Biotech Disclosure Update and Discussion**
- 2. Issue Updates, Discussion, ABA Advocacy**
 - o Part 340
 - o FDA
- 3. Other Business**

Next ABA meeting: TBD

Please let me know if you need anything else.

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From: John Goldberg [mailto:(b) (6)@sciencebasedstrategies.com]
Sent: Tuesday, May 02, 2017 12:15 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
Cc: Dana M. O'Brien; Andrew Walmsley
Subject: Re: Hola

Thanks Reb

Dana or Andrew, can you share the details with Rebekah?

John J. Goldberg, Ph.D.

Ph: (b) (6)
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----- Original message -----

From: "Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC"

<Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>

Date: 5/2/17 11:30 (GMT-05:00)

To: John Goldberg (b) (6) @sciencebasedstrategies.com>

Cc: "Dana M. O'Brien" (b) (6) @bio.org>

Subject: RE: Hola

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Cc: [Dana M. O'Brien](#); [Klippenstein, Brian - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: RE: Hola
Date: Tuesday, May 2, 2017 2:08:45 PM
Attachments: [image003.png](#)

Tomorrow we will know more about who will join you on Thursday and will pin down a time then, too.

Thanks for the request,



Rebeckah Freeman Adcock
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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Lisa Van Doren](#)
Subject: Re: House Agriculture Committee Statement on Traffic Accident in Texas
Date: Thursday, September 21, 2017 6:36:26 PM

Yep, but I did choose not to go intentionally because I felt it would be a bad trip for some reason. Now I know why. (b) (6)

Bad day.

Thank you for being worried though

Rebeckah Adcock
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On Sep 21, 2017, at 6:05 PM, Lisa Van Doren (b) (6) <[@ncfc.org](mailto:ncfc.org)> wrote:

Doing a roll call - you ok?!

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "House Committee on Agriculture" <agrepUBLICanpress@mail.house.gov>
Date: September 21, 2017 at 5:01:26 PM EDT
To: (b) (6) <[@ncfc.org](mailto:ncfc.org)>
Subject: House Agriculture Committee Statement on Traffic Accident in Texas



PRESS RELEASE

September 21, 2017

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
 September 21, 2017


[Rachel Millard](#)
[Stephanie Addison](#)
 (202) 225-2171

House Agriculture Committee Statement on Traffic Accident in Texas

Thursday afternoon, Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue, House Agriculture Committee Chairman K. Michael Conaway and Texas State Agriculture Commissioner Sid Miller were in El Campo, Texas surveying damage from Hurricane Harvey and meeting with producers and farmers. As they were leaving an event with producers, a vehicle traveling with them was involved in a traffic accident with another vehicle. Secretary Perdue, Chairman Conaway and Commissioner Miller were riding in separate vehicles and were not involved in the accident. One USDA and two House Agriculture Committee staff

members were taken to a local hospital and are in stable condition.


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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Rob Richard](#)
Subject: RE: Industrial hemp
Date: Thursday, November 2, 2017 4:05:14 PM
Attachments: [image002.png](#)

Rob –

The report has been submitted to the President for finalizing and release at a time of his choosing (we do hope soon!).

We cannot discuss the details of the report prior to its release but to say it looks broadly at interagency coordination among the federal family. It lays out the starting points for actions that can help rural America thrive on and off the farm.

Stay tuned!

Kindly,



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From: Rob Richard

[mailto:(b) (6)@wfbf.com]

Sent: Thursday, November 2, 2017 3:38 PM

To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>

Subject: Industrial hemp

Good afternoon Ms. Adcock -

I'm wondering if the Task Force on Agriculture and Rural Prosperity will be issuing its report this week? I'm sorry that I've been bothering you with phone calls but this report has the potential to greatly help me here in Wisconsin with our push to legalize industrial hemp.

In fact, the next 24 hours will likely determine if we pass legislation this year.

Are you at liberty to tell me if there is anything in the final report on industrial hemp? I understand if you are not.

Thank you!

Rob Richard

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Wisconsin Farm Bureau Federation

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Constance Cullman](#)
Cc: [Miller, Jannine - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Re: Infrastructure
Date: Tuesday, August 29, 2017 3:44:32 PM

Jannine Miller, CC'd here.

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Aug 29, 2017, at 3:25 PM, Constance Cullman (b) (6) [@farmfoundation.org](mailto: @farmfoundation.org)> wrote:

Hola!

Who is your point person in the Secretary's office on infrastructure?

Best,
C

Sent from my BlackBerry Smartphone on the Verizon 4G LTE Network

From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Jeff Williams](#)
Bcc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Re: Inquiry for NYFB from Secretary Perdue
Date: Tuesday, November 7, 2017 2:11:31 PM

Give me 45 mins same problem

Rebeckah Adcock
 Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

> On Nov 7, 2017, at 2:07 PM, Jeff Williams <(b) (6)@nyfb.org> wrote:

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> On a call right now. Will call right after!

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> Best,

>

> Jeff Williams, Director

> Division of Public Policy

> New York Farm Bureau

> (b) (6) (o)

> (b) (6) (m)

> (b) (6)@nyfb.org<(b) (6)@nyfb.org>

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> On Nov 7, 2017, at 2:04 PM, Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC

<Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov<<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>>> wrote:

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> Jeff –

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> Please call me at the cell number below at your earliest convenience.

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> Hope all is well with you in NY!

>

> Kindly,

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [\(b\) @fb.org](#)
Subject: RE: Invitation to speak at our Public Policy Conference
Date: Thursday, June 8, 2017 1:12:27 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Nah, just kidding. 5:15 works for me...poor them!

From: Mary Kay Thatcher [mailto:[\(b\) @fb.org](#)]
Sent: Wednesday, June 7, 2017 4:10 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re: Invitation to speak at our Public Policy Conference

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From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, June 7, 2017 3:23 PM
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From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, June 7, 2017 3:03 PM
To: Mary Kay Thatcher
Cc: Mary Kay Thatcher; Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
Subject: RE: Invitation to speak at our Public Policy Conference

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From: Mary Kay Thatcher [[mailto:\(b\)@fb.org](mailto:(b)@fb.org)]

Sent: Monday, June 5, 2017 4:25 PM

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To: [\(b\) @fb.org](#)
Subject: Re: Invitation to speak at our Public Policy Conference
Date: Wednesday, June 7, 2017 6:01:22 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

It's fine, just kidding

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [\(b\) @fb.org](#)
Subject: Re: Invitation to speak at our Public Policy Conference
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2017 4:46:11 PM

I think this will work, let me check on a couple of things before I lock in.

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

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To: [Frank N. Tsamoutales](#)
Subject: RE: Is there an opportunity for us to meet in September to answer questions and discuss next steps? Thank you!
Date: Thursday, August 17, 2017 11:17:06 AM

Should be - finally beginning to dig into operational reforms and need to bring others into the conversation.

Will get back to you with times 1st half of month.

Reb

-----Original Message-----

From: Frank N. Tsamoutales [[mailto:\(b\)@tsamoutales.com](mailto:(b)@tsamoutales.com)]
Sent: Thursday, August 17, 2017 10:55 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
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To: [Thomas Hebert](#)
Subject: Re: Is USDA taking comments on ideas for reg reform under EO 13777 or other?
Date: Thursday, May 4, 2017 2:41:03 PM

That will involve both Klippenstein and me. We'll find a time soon.

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On May 4, 2017, at 2:32 PM, Thomas Hebert (b) (6) [@bayardridge.com](mailto: @bayardridge.com) wrote:

Auto correct changed "brief OSEC" to "brief OW." We would like to brief you guys on the EPA ideas.

Tom Hebert
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From: "Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC"
 <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Sent: May 4, 2017 2:01 PM
To: Thomas Hebert; Klippenstein, Brian - OSEC, Washington, DC
Subject: RE: Is USDA taking comments on ideas for reg reform under EO 13777 or other?

Sounds like a plan. Thanks!

Rebeckah

From: Thomas Hebert [[mailto: \(b\) \(6\) @bayardridge.com](mailto: @bayardridge.com)]
Sent: Thursday, May 4, 2017 1:22 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>; Klippenstein, Brian - OSEC, Washington, DC <Brian.Klippenstein@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re: Is USDA taking comments on ideas for reg reform under EO 13777 or other?

Thanks Rebeckah. When that time comes, many aggies will work together on ideas, directly relevant to USDA regs, as you would expect.

Relative to EPA regs and guidance, aggies are preparing a joint list of ideas to submit to EPA on May 15. When that happens folks would like to come brief OW on those thoughts.

Best!

Tom

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From: "Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC"

<Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>

Sent: May 4, 2017 12:50 PM

To: Klippenstein, Brian - OSEC, Washington, DC; Thomas Hebert

Subject: RE: Is USDA taking comments on ideas for reg reform under EO 13777 or other?

Yes – all agencies are and although USDA reportedly mentioned in a FR notice awhile back – we plan to be more public about that effort in the near future to redouble to effort.

Reb

From: Klippenstein, Brian - OSEC, Washington, DC

Sent: Thursday, May 4, 2017 12:27 PM

To: Thomas Hebert <(b) (6) @bayardridge.com>; Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>

Subject: Re: Is USDA taking comments on ideas for reg reform under EO 13777 or other?

Tom, hello. Rebeckah, copied, is lead, and we are all staffing her.

Sent from my iPhone

On May 4, 2017, at 11:25 AM, Thomas Hebert (b) (6) @bayardridge.com> wrote:

Hi Brian,

Do you know the answer to this question, or who would know, if you do not, and who might have time to answer?

Hope all is well!

Tom

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Shipman, Hunt \(EXT\) - RMA](#)
Subject: RE: IT Meeting help
Date: Monday, October 9, 2017 3:17:13 PM

I think it would be fine to meet with him so long as you manage their expectations about what will come out of it. If they overplay things, it will be a set back for them.

From: Hunt Shipman [mailto:[\(b\) \(6\)](#)@cgagroup.com]
Sent: Monday, October 9, 2017 3:15 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re: IT Meeting help

Thanks. Appreciate the advice. MSFT is eager to meet with someone. I think if Cornerstone doesn't get it, they'll just tap another of their consultants to do it.

Would my seeking a meeting with Don be something that goes against your advice (which I NEVER want to do)?

Hunt Shipman
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On Oct 9, 2017, at 2:24 PM, Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
<Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

OCS Heidi Green and Acting Dep Asst Sec for DM Don Bice are still sorting out IT challenges. It is a much larger issue across the breadth of agency than even your client is expecting, and the fix will be very robust and fundamental once the course and timelines are determined.

I strongly advise against pestering though, we are undermanned while working at a very demanding pace. Our moves will be comprehensive, thorough but on our own time. Tread carefully

Reb

From: Hunt Shipman [mailto:[\(b\) \(6\)](#)@cgagroup.com]

Sent: Wednesday, October 4, 2017 1:45 PM

To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>

Subject: RE: IT Meeting help

Rebeckah –

Sorry to be a pest, but I have a meeting with the MSFT team tomorrow on this and was hoping to share your feedback on this. If there's someone else you'd point me to instead, I'd be happy to pester them instead!

Thanks for your patience.

Hunt

From: Hunt Shipman

Sent: Monday, October 2, 2017 2:45 PM

To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>

Subject: IT Meeting help

Rebeckah -

Hope you had a great weekend.

I'm following up on our exchange below regarding Microsoft's hope to have a discussion with someone from the Secretary's team. You might recall that they had learned that the Secretary had expressed frustration about some of his mobile

Specifically, they would like to discuss:

- Modernizing and improving efficiency at
 - moving to consolidate like a true enterprise and improve workforce productivity and mobility
 - making things paperless and ensure the ability to access email and perform document collaboration on mobile devices
- Flagging the IT assets that USDA has already acquired that can help achieve goals
 - Going paperless
 - Cloud, cloud security and the resulting benefits of digital transformation by leveraging what's already "in USDA's toolbox".
- Understanding what "pain points" are being encountered
 - identify both short term and long term "win" opportunities.
 - examples of where MSFT technology – some of which USDA already has – can be used to

help sooner than later. For example, there are opportunities around data analytics for precision agriculture, improved cybersecurity against hackers and phishing, fraud detection analytics around WIC/SNAP, grant management tools, blockchain on food supply chain issues to address poor quality outbreaks, etc.

In August, you indicated the time wasn't right, but I'm hoping that may have evolved or that we can take you up on the offer to meet.

Thank you!

Hunt

-----Original Message-----

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC [<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>]
Sent: Wednesday, August 23, 2017 12:39 PM
To: Hunt Shipman (b) (6) [@cgagroup.com](mailto:cgagroup.com)>
Subject: Re: Fsis/eggs

If needed, I am happy to talk with them in sept. Not personal to MS that I am aware of. The chaos is ours.

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

> On Aug 23, 2017, at 12:18 PM, Hunt Shipman (b) (6) [@cgagroup.com](mailto:cgagroup.com)> wrote:

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> Thanks for the feedback.

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> Re eggs - yes, just trying to qualitatively understand the level of engagement from OSEC on this and if there are other issues at play that may not be readily apparent.

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> RE IT - they're chomping at the bit to meet with someone. They're worried that his frustrations are misdirected and that a previous OCIO decision to bar remote access to Office 365 is in whole/part to blame. And, more importantly, that this comes back to bite them down the road on unrelated matters. The feedback is helpful, and I'll try to hold them off. But a chance for them to hear directly and understand more what's being contemplated (and hopefully be a part of that rebuilding) would be appreciated.

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC [<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>]

> Sent: Wednesday, August 23, 2017 11:59 AM

> To: Hunt Shipman (b) (6) [@cgagroup.com](mailto:cgagroup.com)>

> Subject: RE: Fsis/eggs

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> RE eggs, that's likely to be Klipp and me - have you talked directly with FSIS yet?

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> RE IT, hold tight - USDA is undergoing significant adjustment, revisioning and rebuilding of that entire capacity - it's a long term thing. Keep communicating with me for now and I will insert into the conversation where and when appropriate. This is a very high level process for the foreseeable future.

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> REb

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Hunt Shipman [mailto:(b) (6)@cgagroup.com]

> Sent: Wednesday, August 23, 2017 11:32 AM

> To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>

> Subject: RE: Fsis/eggs

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> Rebeckah -

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> Sorry to be a pest, hoping to get your take on eggs when you have a minute. Also, another issue has popped up I was hoping for some direction/intel from you on.

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> We represent Microsoft and have picked up that the Secretary has been frustrated by issues surrounding mobile email access and document collaboration. We also understand that there's been some friction between OSEC and the CIO office, which has a number of vacancies. The Department has already purchased Microsoft products, and we're confident that we can get the right people to address his specific issues, but think its best accomplished with a conversation with the right person on the Secretary's staff, who then gives some direction for USDA staff to work with the Microsoft personnel.

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> My assumption is that Chris Young might be the right person for that, given my understanding that he most frequently travels with the Secretary and probably hears his frustrations and knows what he wants. If my assumption is right, I don't know Chris and would appreciate an introduction. If there's someone else you think would be better, I'd welcome that direction, also.

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> To be clear, this isn't about selling "stuff" to USDA -- this is just about ensuring that the Secretary gets to use what USDA's already purchased in ways he wants to so that his frustrations don't tarnish the company's standing with the Department in the future.

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> Thanks!

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> Hunt

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC [mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov]

> Sent: Monday, August 14, 2017 5:55 PM

> To: Hunt Shipman (b) (6) @cgagroup.com>

> Subject: Re: Fsis/eggs

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> It is me and Klippenstein. I'm on travel and will be back late this week

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> Rebeckah Adcock

> Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

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>> On Aug 14, 2017, at 3:36 PM, Hunt Shipman (b) (6) @cgagroup.com> wrote:

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>> Rebeckah-

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>> Hope you're well and things are a little calmer at USDA these days. Does FSIS fall in your portfolio? Hoping to chat sometime about egg imports from Europe and some problems with drug residues. If not you, can you point me in the right direction?

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>> Thanks!

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>> Hunt

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>> Hunt Shipman

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Rauber John](#)
Subject: RE: John Deere - looking for some help
Date: Wednesday, May 24, 2017 3:56:56 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

See you next week. From security check in, have them call up to 200 A Secretary's Reception to let them know you have a meeting with me.

Rebeckah

From: Rauber John [mailto:(b) (6)@JohnDeere.com]
Sent: Wednesday, May 24, 2017 3:48 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Gilson, Joseph - OSEC, Washington, DC <Joseph.Gilson@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: John Deere - looking for some help

Rebeckah, May 31 at 10:00am works for me. I will plan to see you then. Thanks.

John

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From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC [<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 5:17 PM
To: Rauber John <(b) (6)@JohnDeere.com>
Cc: Gilson, Joseph - OSEC, Washington, DC <Joseph.Gilson@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: John Deere - looking for some help

John and Joe –

Thank you for the offer to join you tomorrow, but I booked nearly solid the remainder of this week.

John, would 10 am on the 31st work for you?

Rebeckah

From: Rauber John [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\)@JohnDeere.com](mailto:(b) (6)@JohnDeere.com)]
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 4:42 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>

Cc: Green, Heidi - OSEC, Washington, DC <Heidi.Green@osec.usda.gov>; Sullivan, Lauren - OSEC, Washington, DC <Lauren.Sullivan@osec.usda.gov>; Gilson, Joseph - OSEC, Washington, DC <Joseph.Gilson@osec.usda.gov>

Subject: RE: John Deere - looking for some help

Rebeckah, thanks for your outreach and apologies for not responding to your earlier note.

Joe has organized a meeting for tomorrow 5/24 at 1:30 with a coalition we belong to, the Agricultural Broadband Coalition, to discuss the broadband infrastructure needs to support precision agriculture. It would be great if you are able to join that discussion, otherwise I'd be happy to meet with you next week. I'm pretty open on the 31st, so feel free to suggest a time if that's better for you.

Best regards,

John

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Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 3:03 PM

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Subject: RE: John Deere - looking for some help

John,

The Secretary is keeping up quite a pace here, so I can certainly offer to speak with you on his behalf regarding the Ag & Rural Prosperity Task Force. I have availability next Wed, May 31, if that suits your schedule? And/or, open to finding another time when Joe would be available to tag team on a meeting with a dual purpose?

Kindly,

Rebeckah Freeman Adcock



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From: Green, Heidi - OSEC, Washington, DC
Sent: Monday, May 15, 2017 10:16 PM
To: Rauber John (b) (6) [\[redacted\]@JohnDeere.com](mailto:[redacted]@JohnDeere.com); Sullivan, Lauren - OSEC, Washington, DC
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Heidi

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Sent: Monday, May 15, 2017 11:14 AM
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Heidi, I wanted to reach out again . . . could you let me know who in Secretary Perdue's office I should connect with on the issues identified below? Many thanks.

John Rauber

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From: Rauber John
Sent: Monday, May 08, 2017 8:41 AM
To: 'heidi.green@osec.usda.gov' <heidi.green@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: FW: John Deere - looking for some help
Importance: High

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very near future.

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From: Young, Joby [<mailto:Joby.Young@mail.house.gov>]

Sent: Friday, May 05, 2017 6:21 PM

To: Rauber John (b) (6) <[@JohnDeere.com](mailto:(b)(6)@JohnDeere.com)>

Cc: Heidi.green@osec.usda.gov

Subject: Re: John Deere - looking for some help

John,

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Thank you,

Joby

Sent from my iPad

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Subject: RE: John Deere - looking for some help
Date: Friday, May 19, 2017 4:40:12 PM
Attachments: [image003.png](#)

Good afternoon, John.

As Heidi mention, I am helping to coordinate the OSEC effort on the Rural Prosperity Task Force and would be happy to take your questions on that the new and ongoing build out.

Kindly,



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To: [Cathy Kerkam](#)
Subject: RE: JOIN US!!! June 6, 2017 Dinner at Arboretum
Date: Thursday, June 1, 2017 10:41:18 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Thank you, I have confirmed and **will be able to attend**.



Rebeckah Freeman Adcock

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From: Cathy Kerkam [mailto:(b) (6)@fona.org]
Sent: Thursday, June 1, 2017 10:08 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Cathy Kerkam (b) (6)@fona.org
Subject: RE: JOIN US!!! June 6, 2017 Dinner at Arboretum

Rebeckah,
 Here's what I have heard from the top here:

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Ann MacMillan is the one who suggested that we invite you. You may want to check with your USDA Ethics Office specialist.

I hope this is helpful.
 Cathy

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC [mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, May 31, 2017 4:55 PM
To: Cathy Kerkam (b) (6) <[@fona.org](mailto:(b) (6)@fona.org)>
Subject: RE: JOIN US!!! June 6, 2017 Dinner at Arboretum

Cathy –

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Importance: High

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To: [Cathy Kerkam](#)
Subject: RE: JOIN US!!! June 6, 2017 Dinner at Arboretum
Date: Wednesday, May 31, 2017 4:54:44 PM
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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Poister, Paul](#)
Subject: Re: June 21
Date: Wednesday, June 7, 2017 6:08:48 PM

Paul,

Thank you for the outreach. Regrettably, no, the Secretary will not be in DC that entire week.

Would you like me to inquire whether senior advisors not traveling with him would be available in the alternative?

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Jun 7, 2017, at 3:40 PM, Poister, Paul <(b) (6)@agrium.com> wrote:

Rebeckah:

I hope all is well and that you're feeling somewhat settled into your new role at USDA.

On Wednesday, June 21, Chuck Magro the CEO of Agrium/CPS will be in Washington. I would like to ask if it would be possible to schedule a brief courtesy visit for him with Secretary Perdue. Before going much further I thought it best to check if the Secretary will be in DC that morning.

Thank you for any guidance you can provide.

Best regards,
 Paul

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Stefan Maupin](#)
Subject: Re: just need a call back
Date: Tuesday, August 29, 2017 9:54:15 AM

Catching up! Will call you ASAP today.

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Aug 28, 2017, at 10:07 AM, Stefan Maupin (b) (6) @tbf.com> wrote:

Rebeckah,

I hope everything is well with you. I put in a call to your office but they indicated you were out of the office today. I know you are extremely busy but if you could give me a call when you return I would appreciate it. I promise it will be brief. You can call my cell at (b) (6).

Stefan Maupin
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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [William J. Friedman](#)
Subject: Re: Kentucky Lawyers
Date: Wednesday, September 6, 2017 9:56:17 AM

I know what my schedule looks like about an hour before things happen- honest answer.

The fires out west and hurricanes down south mean we are all on call here.

Send me logistics on event and I will add to calendar in event I am "released"

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Sep 6, 2017, at 8:46 AM, William J. Friedman <(b) (6)@gmail.com> wrote:

Morning! That would be great. I have met with Brian before. I am happy to come down on Friday or jump on the phone.

The show in Baltimore is Thurs-Sunday. How's your schedule? I think you might enjoy seeing the show, it captures some of the energy of this ag sector. Will wait for news on Friday. Thanks R.

Best, Jay

On Wed, Sep 6, 2017 at 8:35 AM, Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
 <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

Happy to meet, but if your talking organic we need to be sure my colleague Brian Klippenstein is involved - that his policy area for OSEC. Let me see if he's around Friday

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Sep 6, 2017, at 7:36 AM, William J. Friedman <(b) (6)@gmail.com> wrote:

Rebeckah,

Do you have time for a short call this week, hopefully on Friday?
 15 min. Next week is the big annual organic products show in
 Baltimore and there's an important organic development I'd like to
 relate. If you have an interest, you may want to swing up there. I
 can arrange leadership meet and greets.

All the best, Jay

On Wed, Aug 23, 2017 at 3:57 PM, Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC,
 Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

Welcome home, then.

The Kentucky Society of Washington is far broader crowd than that, but in a very good way!

Let me check the schedule for next good event, but until then we have a website - www.kentuckysocietyofwashington.com

Cheers,

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

> On Aug 23, 2017, at 3:41 PM, William J. Friedman
 (b) (6) <[@gmail.com](mailto:(b)(6)@gmail.com)> wrote:

>
 > Good Afternoon,
 >
 > I spoke with my friend Kelly, and he would be delighted to join up with some other Univ. of Kentucky law grads. I would too.
 >
 > When is the next event? Hope all is well.
 >
 > Best Regards,
 >
 > Jay (the organic guy from the Seed Council meeting)
 >
 > --
 > William J. Friedman
 >
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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [HOPPER, SARA ELIZABETH](#)
Subject: RE: Keri Carstens, sr. DuPont scientist, in town Th and Fri
Date: Tuesday, April 25, 2017 12:47:36 PM

My read and rec thus far, I that Chief Economist, Rob Johansson would be a good office to visit with until we get staffed up in OSEC. I'm on WH reg reform EO's (no pressure!), and other issues aren't yet. Really aren't many folks in this office yet. The CE is working with OPMP on some issues right now and may be good to get to know his office.

Reb

From: HOPPER, SARA ELIZABETH [mailto:(b) (6)@dupont.com]
Sent: Monday, April 24, 2017 10:54 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Keri Carstens, sr. DuPont scientist, in town Th and Fri

Hi Rebeckah. I'd ask you if you feel all settled in at the end of your first day on the new job, but I am guessing that might not be a welcome question. ☺ I mentioned to you last week that Keri Carstens would be in town this week. Do you have any sense yet of who (of those who've started in the Secretary's office) might be the most appropriate for me to reach out to, to see if I can bring Keri in? As a reminder, the discussion would be around pollinator/seed treatment issues. I know that things are still a bit crazy, with a few people doing a lot, so if it doesn't work this time, that's OK, we can plan to try again the next time.

Hope you are well!

Sara

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To: [Keith L. Rogers](#)
Bcc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Re: KY FSA
Date: Friday, November 10, 2017 9:42:38 AM

Awesome thanks!

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Nov 10, 2017, at 9:01 AM, Keith L. Rogers (b) (6) <[@windstream.net](mailto:(b) (6)@windstream.net)> wrote:

Rebeckah,

Here's what I have – if you need addresses or contact information we will work to get that today, please let me know.

1. Sharon Furches – Calloway County – Grain
2. Brenda Paul – Bourbon County – Cattle
3. Bart Peters – Christian County – Grain
4. Tom Flowers – Shelby County – Cattle/Grain/Tobacco
5. Kenny Imel – Greenup County – Greenhouse/cattle/hay
6. James Allen Spinks – Warren County – Grain/cattle

Keith L. Rogers

771 Mud Splash Road

Glendale, KY 42740

Cell: (b) (6)

Email: (b) (6) <[@windstream.net](mailto:(b) (6)@windstream.net)>

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
[\[mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov\]](mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov)
Sent: Thursday, November 09, 2017 2:48 PM
To: Keith L Rogers (b) (6) <[@windstream.net](mailto:(b) (6)@windstream.net)>
Subject: RE: KY FSA

Need location and what they grow/produce, too.
 Reb

From: Keith L Rogers <[\(b\) \(6\)@windstream.net](mailto:(b) (6)@windstream.net)>
Sent: Wednesday, November 8, 2017 4:34 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: KY FSA

Rebeckah

I am providing six names.

1. Sharon Furches
2. Brenda Paul
3. Bart Peters
4. Tom Flowers
5. Kenny Imel
6. James Allen Spinks

Thanks

Keith Rogers

(b) (6)

Sent from my iPhone

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To: [Lisa Van Doren](#); [Bina, Betsy](#); [Diana Felner](#); [Dawn Stump](#)
Subject: RE: ladies lunch addition
Date: Tuesday, August 22, 2017 4:40:52 PM
Attachments: [image002.png](#)

Sad to report I too am out of town on work business - USDA RV tour round 2.0 in Northeast.

From: Lisa Van Doren [mailto:(b) (6)@ncfc.org]
Sent: Tuesday, August 22, 2017 4:38 PM
To: Bina, Betsy <Betsy.Bina@mail.house.gov>; Diana Felner (b) (6)@tourette.org>; Dawn Stump (b) (6)@stumpstrategic.com>; Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: ladies lunch addition

We're headed to IL next week thru Labor Day weekend but if you can get something organized, proceed without me.

From: Bina, Betsy [<mailto:Betsy.Bina@mail.house.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, August 22, 2017 4:36 PM
To: Lisa Van Doren (b) (6)@ncfc.org>; Diana Felner <(b) (6)@tourette.org>; Dawn Stump (b) (6)@stumpstrategic.com>; Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re: ladies lunch addition

Could we do something over Labor Day weekend with Brent?

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Subject: ladies lunch addition
From: Lisa Van Doren (b) (6)@ncfc.org>
Date: Aug 15, 2017, 5:11 PM
To: Diana Felner (b) (6)@tourette.org>, Dawn Stump (b) (6)@stumpstrategic.com>, "Bina, Betsy" <Betsy.Bina@mail.house.gov>, "Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC" <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
 Not sure if we settled on a date but wanted to email you all regarding a request from one Brent W. Gattis – he'd like to join a ladies lunch and suggested August. Diana...he even mentioned flowers but I wouldn't hold my breath. After all...it's only been like 15 years since he said he'd send you some.

Shall we have him join the group or do something separate with him?

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Allyson Alvaré](#)
Cc: [Trollinger, Shelia - OSEC](#)
Subject: RE: Land O'Lakes Meeting Request
Date: Monday, September 11, 2017 7:03:41 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Allyson –

I should be able to do that – how about 10- 10:30 on the 27th?

Asking Shelia Trollinger to work with you to find the best space here at USDA for 30 people and confirm that meeting time.

Kindly,



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From: Allyson Alvaré [mailto:(b) (6)@russellgroupdc.com]
Sent: Wednesday, September 6, 2017 4:44 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Land O'Lakes Meeting Request

Hi Rebeckah,

Hope you're doing well. On behalf of our client Land O'Lakes, please see the attached meeting request. They will have several members in Washington on September 27 and are hoping to schedule a brief meeting with you. Please let me know if you might have a few minutes then. Thanks so much!

Allyson

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Larew Robert - FASContact](#)
Subject: Re: letter for the Secretary regarding climate
Date: Thursday, August 10, 2017 2:27:20 PM
Attachments: [image002.png](#)
[image003.png](#)
[image004.png](#)
[image005.png](#)

Thank you for sharing - may I ask what the specific motivation is for the letter at this particular time?

Rebeckah Adcock
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On Aug 10, 2017, at 2:21 PM, Rob Larew <(b) (6)@nfudc.org> wrote:

Rebeckah, attached is a letter to Secretary Perdue and a copy of a press release we'll issue very shortly. Let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thanks.

Rob.

Rob Larew

Sr VP of Public Policy and Communication

National Farmers Union

(202) 554-1600

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To: [Karla Hofhenke](#)
Cc: [Doug Sombke](#); [Christina Dexter](#)
Subject: RE: Letter of support
Date: Thursday, July 13, 2017 6:02:07 PM
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[image008.png](#)
[image009.png](#)

Thank you for the letter. And we all pray for rain.



Rebeckah

Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

From: Karla Hofhenke [mailto:(b) (6)@sdfu.org]
Sent: Wednesday, July 12, 2017 7:54 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Doug Sombke (b) (6)@sdfu.org>; Christina Dexter (b) (6)@sdfu.org>
Subject: Letter of support

Good Evening

Please find attached a letter of support to Secretary Perdue to allow emergency haying on all CRP practices for all counties in South Dakota.

Thank you for your consideration

Sincerely

Karla Hofhenke

Karla Hofhenke

Executive Director

South Dakota Farmers Union

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To: [Laurie Seale](#)
Cc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: RE: letter to the Secretary
Date: Friday, May 19, 2017 10:52:25 AM
Attachments: [image003.png](#)

Laurie:

On behalf of the Secretary, thank you for submitting the concerns and ideas from the American Cervid Alliance regarding USDA regulations that impact your industry.

We are engaging in the process of regulatory reform within USDA and will be certain to include consideration and, where appropriate, action on the concerns expressed in this letter from the Alliance as that process continues.

Kindly,



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From: Laurie Seale [mailto:(b) (6)@centurytel.net]
Sent: Thursday, May 18, 2017 11:25 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: letter to the Secretary

Hi Rebeckah,

I received your email address from John Blount. I am a member of the American Cervid Alliance and am the contact person for the letter that we drafted to Secretary Perdue in regards to our industry issues. If you have any questions in regards to the comments in the letter, please let me know. We look forward to hearing the Secretary's response to our letter.

Thanks,
 Laurie Seale

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Trollinger, Shelia - OSEC](#); [Bucky Kennedy](#)
Cc: [Klippenstein, Brian - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Logistics for 2-2:30 meeting tomorrow with SCPA (Adcock and Klipp)
Date: Tuesday, May 2, 2017 12:21:40 PM

Shelia –

I (and maybe Brian) will be meeting with the Southern Crop Production Association (SCPA) here in OSEC tomorrow from 2-2:30 pm. Could you find us a nice space to meet for 10-12 people?

I am adding Bucky Kennedy from SCPA to this email so that you can work with him directly regarding logistics on building entry and meeting space. Please send us a calendar invite when things are set.

Thank you, Reb

From: Bucky Kennedy [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\)@southcrop.org](mailto:(b) (6)@southcrop.org)]
Sent: Tuesday, May 2, 2017 11:56 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Klippenstein, Brian - OSEC, Washington, DC <Brian.Klippenstein@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re: options RE: Klippenstein and or I can meet with y'all tomorrow. What times are preferred?

Thursday is bad because that is our hill visits and we have a late meeting with Administrator Pruitt. 2-2:30 could work as long as we can get back to Hyatt by 3 which we should be able to. Let's do 2-2:30. At USDA preferably because I am sure some of my guys have never been over there. Can you get a place for us to meet? Do you need names for security?

BK

Bucky Kennedy

SCPA

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www.southcrop.org

On May 2, 2017, at 10:28 AM, Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

I have mtg from 1-2, could likely do briefly from 2-2:30 tomorrow. I could do the tomorrow am between 9-11 (if I move another meeting). Not sure whether Thursday is an option but it's more open.

Klip, any of this work for you?

-----Original Message-----

From: Bucky Kennedy [mailto:(b) (6)@southcrop.org]

Sent: Tuesday, May 2, 2017 11:14 AM

To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>

Subject: Re: Klippenstein and or I can meet with y'all tomorrow. What times are preferred?

Correction. May be better around 1 to 130. Doe that work for y'all.

Bucky Kennedy

SCPA

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> On May 2, 2017, at 8:45 AM, Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
<Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

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> Rebeckah Adcock

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Lane, Michelle \(US - Arlington\)](#)
Bcc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Re: Lunch
Date: Tuesday, October 24, 2017 11:55:45 AM

Now- 12:30 pm or at 1pm after

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Oct 24, 2017, at 11:54 AM, Lane, Michelle (US - Arlington) (b) (6) <[@deloitte.com](mailto:(b) (6)@deloitte.com)> wrote:

Sounds like a plan

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, October 24, 2017 11:52:29 AM
To: Lane, Michelle (US - Arlington)
Subject: Re: Lunch

Yes, will bring new guy for MRP, ok?

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Oct 24, 2017, at 11:24 AM, Lane, Michelle (US - Arlington) (b) (6) <[@deloitte.com](mailto:(b) (6)@deloitte.com)> wrote:

At the place formerly known as the people's buffet. Got time?

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Caroline Rydell](#)
Subject: RE: Lunch today
Date: Friday, June 23, 2017 10:44:39 AM

For security, tell them you are coming to 200A

From: Caroline Rydell [mailto:(b) (6)@farmcreditbank.com]
Sent: Friday, June 23, 2017 10:43 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Lunch today

Let me know if today is still good – should I just meet you at USDA? I can meet you anywhere...

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Caroline Rydell](#)
Subject: RE: Lunch today
Date: Friday, June 23, 2017 10:44:17 AM

Ha, just sent you a note too – yes, we can start here and move on. I will have meeting until right up to noon.

Also, (b) (6)

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Watson Horner](#)
Subject: RE: Lunch Tomorrow
Date: Friday, September 29, 2017 1:52:28 PM

Come over the Whitten bldg on the Mall – room 200A

From: Watson Horner [mailto:(b) (6)@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, September 29, 2017 1:22 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re: Lunch Tomorrow

Headed that way now if you're free?

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 29, 2017, at 12:07 PM, Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

I will see you then – we'll grab a coffee!

Email me when on way in and I'll tell you where to come to

From: Watson Horner [mailto:(b) (6)@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, September 29, 2017 12:04 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re: Lunch Tomorrow

May be closer to 1:00- still waiting here on the Hill. Would that still work?

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 29, 2017, at 8:47 AM, Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

Yes, come on down once you're done on the Hill. There is a casual lunch event here in office where you could meet others, starts 12'ish. I'm around so just tell security you have an appt in 200A with me.

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Sep 29, 2017, at 8:22 AM, Watson Horner <(b) (6)@gmail.com> wrote:

Rebeckah,

Good morning! I wanted to follow up Turner's email and confirm that 12:30 still works on your end. I finish up on the hill around Noon, and am free for a few hours depending on your availability. Let me know what's easiest on your end. Thanks!

Watson Horner
 Juris Doctor Candidate 2018
 University of Mississippi School of Law
 (b) (6)@gmail.com
 (b) (6)

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 28, 2017, at 12:49 PM, Bridgforth, Turner - OSEC, Washington, DC

<Turner.Bridgforth@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

Rebeckah,

Thank you for taking time out tomorrow to meet Watson.

I will not be here, therefore I am connecting yall to work out logistics.

Regards,
Turner

<image001.png> **Henry Turner Bridgforth**
Deputy Director of External and Intergovernmental Affairs

United States Department of Agriculture
Cell: (b) (6)

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Caroline Rydell](#)
Subject: RE: Lunch?!
Date: Friday, June 9, 2017 4:45:47 PM

Change that – I got usurped – how about next Friday?

From: Caroline Rydell [mailto:(b) (6)@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, June 9, 2017 9:41 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re: Lunch?!

Perfect! I'll just come over at 12 if works for you.

Caroline A. Rydell
Farm Credit Bank of Texas
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On Jun 8, 2017, at 3:18 PM, Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
 <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

Yes, how about next tues June 13th??

From: Rebeckah Freeman [mailto:(b) (6)@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, June 8, 2017 3:11 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Fw: Lunch?!

Rebeckah (Freeman) Adcock

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From: Caroline Rydell <(b) (6)@gmail.com>
To: (b) (6) [@yahoo.com](mailto:(b) (6)@yahoo.com) (b) (6) [@yahoo.com](mailto:(b) (6)@yahoo.com)

Sent: Thursday, June 8, 2017, 2:27:13 PM EDT

Subject: Lunch?!

How's it going? Can I come over for lunch one day? Want to catch up (maybe get rain coat) but need counsel on who we could meet with at USDA on Wed., July 26 in am. I'll have about 35 Young Leader (borrowers) in town.

Thanks much-hope all's well.

Caroline

Caroline A. Rydell
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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Ruckert, Edward](#)
Subject: RE: Maximum Residue Level database
Date: Friday, June 16, 2017 6:06:05 PM

Let me figure out the best combo of people and will be back to you.

Reb

From: Ruckert, Edward [mailto:(b) (6)@mwe.com]
Sent: Friday, June 16, 2017 3:24 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Maximum Residue Level database

Rebeckah,

The Secretary by now has likely received several letters of support for a TASC grant funding application for the MRL database. As you know, that data base is widely used by growers/shippers, registrants and federal agencies (including FAS) in tracking MRL actions that might impact US commodity exports. Nothing worse than shipping an agricultural commodity and having it rejected in the receiving country because of pesticide residue issues.

MCFA (among a lot of other groups) are very supportive of the grant. We will be following up with FAS. Is there anyone in the Secretary's office that also would be good to follow-up with on this? Hope all is well. Regards, Ed

Edward M. Ruckert
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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Daniel Botts](#)
Subject: Re: MCFA Agenda
Date: Wednesday, August 9, 2017 10:02:19 AM

Yes, let's say 9:40 -10?

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Aug 9, 2017, at 9:44 AM, Daniel Botts <(b) (6)@ffva.com> wrote:

Rebeckah,

Whatever you want to do will be fine with me. If we could put you right at the start (around 9:40 or whenever you can be available) and then follow with Sheryl that would probably be best. We also don't have to take the whole 45 minutes I had originally projected.

Thanks,

Dan

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From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
[\[mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov\]](mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov)
Sent: Wednesday, August 9, 2017 9:37 AM
To: Daniel Botts <(b) (6)@ffva.com>
Subject: Re: MCFA Agenda

Dan - how about we plan that I call in near the start of meeting so y'all can get whatever info you need from USDA OSEC angle early? I will shape my morning around your preference.

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Aug 9, 2017, at 9:28 AM, Daniel Botts <(b) (6)@ffva.com> wrote:

To All;

Please find attached the agenda for the meeting tomorrow. Rebeckah will be joining us at her convenience late morning as her schedule permits. We will break the agenda when she is able to call in and resume at the break point after we have finished our discussions with her. The teleconferencing numbers are at the bottom of the attached agenda and are repeated here for convenience: call in Number: (866) 453-5550, Pin Code: (b) (6). As usual the conference connection will be initiated shortly before the 9:30 am start time and will remain active until the meeting adjourns.

I look forward to seeing many of you tomorrow. I will send out a couple of documents for discussion purposes prior to the meeting later today. It may go out as two different emails due to the documents. We will not resend documents that have been part of routine notifications that have gone out to the Technical Committee since our last meeting. If there are information needs identified during the meeting we will forward additional copies as requested.

Thanks,

Dan

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Daniel Botts](#)
Subject: Re: MCFA Technical Committee Meeting -- August 10, 2017
Date: Monday, August 7, 2017 2:52:48 PM

Working on pinning that down asap

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Aug 7, 2017, at 9:07 AM, Daniel Botts <(b) (6)@ffva.com> wrote:

Rebeckah,

Sorry about the delay in getting back to you. We would like to have you call in as your schedule will permit. I will have our typical conference call in number active the whole time we are meeting, the call in number is (866) 453-5550, pin code: (b) (6). If you can give me an idea about your available time slot, I will rearrange the Agenda to show the tentative time. We are primarily interested in an update on the Departments interactions with the new EPA leadership. Thoughts on moving the process back toward the true risk balancing equation required by FIFRA, real ESA and pollinator mitigation and support for trade related issues. Maybe about twenty minutes with time for Q & A.

I will send out a revised agenda after I hear from you and talk with Ed.

Thanks

Dan

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From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
[\[mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov\]](mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov)
Sent: Wednesday, July 26, 2017 7:34 PM
To: Daniel Botts <(b) (6)@ffva.com>
Cc: Ed Ruckert <(b) (6)@mwe.com>
Subject: RE: MCFA Technical Committee Meeting -- August 10, 2017

Dan –

I will be in the road on the 10th but I think I can still call in mid-am – but, if it's preferable for me to be in the room, I am happy to try to pre-book attending the September meeting (what is that date?).

Let me know.

Reb

From: Daniel Botts [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\)@ffva.com](mailto:(b) (6)@ffva.com)]
Sent: Monday, July 10, 2017 3:37 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Ed Ruckert [\(b\) \(6\)@mwe.com](mailto:(b) (6)@mwe.com)>
Subject: RE: MCFA Technical Committee Meeting -- August 10, 2017

Rebeckah,

I hope you are out for some vacation time during that week and not working. We would prefer to hear directly from you and could accommodate a call-in at anytime that you would have available. We can stop what we are doing at any point in the agenda for you. We don't have to take the 45 minutes shown but would like the opportunity for a little Q & A. Sheryl is always on the agenda and is early in the program to provide updates on OPMP activities.

Let me know what you think – we will be back in town in the fall if it doesn't work out for the 10th.

Thanks,

Dan

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Sent: Friday, July 7, 2017 5:19 PM

To: Daniel Botts <(b) (6)@ffva.com>
Cc: Ed Ruckert <(b) (6)@mwe.com>
Subject: RE: MCFA Technical Committee Meeting -- August 10, 2017

Dan –

Regrettably, I am out of the office on travel that whole week. But, I can offer to get someone else to fill in on specific topics or I may be able to call into your meeting from the road?

Reb

From: Daniel Botts [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\)@ffva.com](mailto:(b) (6)@ffva.com)]
Sent: Friday, July 7, 2017 9:49 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Ed Ruckert <(b) (6)@mwe.com>
Subject: MCFA Technical Committee Meeting -- August 10, 2017

Rebeckah,

I have attached the draft agenda for our MCFA meeting on Thursday August 10 in DC. We would like to offer you an opportunity to meet with us to discuss the efforts USDA is making to enhance the Departments interactions with EPA (specifically OPP) as they make regulatory decisions that impact the Specialty Crop Industry. We will accommodate your schedule and will make agenda modifications as necessary – I would like to offer a slot earlier in the day if your schedule will allow. We are especially interested in a process related discussion on how to make the best information available to you and the Department as the statutory driven regulatory process moves forward.

Let me know what you think and I will revise the agenda accordingly.

Dan

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [McKinney, Ted](#); [Ray Starling](#)
Cc: [Steve Smith](#); [Cummins, Jeffrey](#)
Subject: Re: McKinney Request - DC Meeting tomorrow w/ American Fruit & Vegetable Processors & Growers Coalition?
Date: Tuesday, June 20, 2017 12:39:25 PM

Pardon the delay, Ted - lots of traveling bodies at USDA of late. I am out of the office today and tomorrow, but will the few who are around to fill in.

Back to you on behalf of USDA very soon.

Reb

From: McKinney, Ted <TMcKinney@isda.IN.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, June 20, 2017 11:14 AM
To: Ray Starling; Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
Cc: Steve Smith; McKinney, Ted; Cummins, Jeffrey
Subject: McKinney Request - DC Meeting tomorrow w/ American Fruit & Vegetable Processors & Growers Coalition?

Ray and Rebeckah: Several days ago I sent a letter about the possibility of you having a meeting with a few select and important members of the American Fruit & Vegetable Processors & Growers Coalition. I make this request based on one of their key members, Red Gold, a very prominent member of Indiana's corporate community, approaching me seeking a meeting.

I know a request was also made to the Vice President's office, but a reply has not yet been received.

My sense is that this group has some very good suggestions on Farm Bill fixes/improvements. At least one of these proposed fixes were carried by then Congressman Mike Pence in a previous Farm Bill, only to be lost in the last Farm Bill. So, this is why they wish to meet with you.

I would be very grateful, and know that AFVPGC would be as well, if you or appropriate designees, could meet with Steve Smith and a few of his colleagues. Time is a bit short given that tomorrow is their day in DC for visits like this.

Thanks very much. I'm copying Steve Smith so that any reply can reach him more quickly than going through me.

Ted McKinney
Director
Indiana State Department of Agriculture
317-448-5023
tmckinney@isda.in.gov

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

From: Steve Smith <(b) (6)@REDGOLD.com>
Date: June 15, 2017 at 3:55:38 PM EDT
To: Ted McKinney <tmckinney@isda.in.gov>, "jecummins@isda.gov" <jecummins@isda.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Letter to go to director McKinney for meeting

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Flippin, Stephen](#); [Trollinger, Shelia - OSEC](#)
Cc: [Miller, Jannine - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Young, Joby - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [McNulty, Tim](#); [Reinke, Anne](#)
Bcc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Re: meeting
Date: Wednesday, September 20, 2017 11:26:10 AM

Shelia- could you work with Jannine and Joby to find a time to meet with Mr. Flippin from CSX?

Thanks!

Rebeckah Adcock

Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Sep 20, 2017, at 11:22 AM, Flippin, Stephen <(b) (6)@csx.com> wrote:

Jannine –

Again, thanks for working to set something up. When you get a chance, please forward along some possible meeting dates. Also, glad to speak by phone to start things off.

Stephen

From: Miller, Jannine - OSEC, Washington, DC [<mailto:Jannine.Miller@osec.usda.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, September 14, 2017 7:45 PM
To: Flippin, Stephen <(b) (6)@csx.com>
Cc: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>; Young, Joby - OSEC, Washington, DC <Joby.Young@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: meeting

Hi Stephen,

Thanks for reaching out to us via Joby! Looking forward to getting together – we're in search of a time for an in-person meeting as soon as our calendars will allow. If we're not able to coalesce our schedules for a gathering in the next 4-5 business days, would you be okay with a phone-meeting the first of next week, to get the conversation started, then meet again face-to-face?

Also, a note of thanks to pass along to your folks for their responsiveness to recently-emerging rail service needs in Florida. We've heard that the transportation challenges are formidable there, and we appreciate ya'll sending a feed train out of Waycross tonight and continuing service throughout the state as frequently as conditions will allow.

Gratefully,
Jannine

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From: Young, Joby - OSEC, Washington, DC

Sent: Thursday, September 14, 2017 8:52 AM

Cc: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>;
Miller, Jannine - OSEC, Washington, DC <Jannine.Miller@osec.usda.gov>

Thanks for reaching out Stephen. I've copied Jannine and Rebekah, who have been working on this issue. I'll let them coordinate with you to find a good time to connect. Hope all is well! Let's catch up soon.

-Joby

Joby Young

Chief of Staff – Office of Congressional Relations

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Frank N. Tsamoutales](#)
Subject: RE: Meeting
Date: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 11:12:44 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Frank -

Thank you for coming in today.

Below is a template used to prepare issues for OSEC consideration. Please fill in the information as you believe appropriate for use as a starting point for internal discussion.

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Statement of Issue

Succinctly and logically frame the issue: what is it and why is it important. Salient figures and facts may be included, but more in-depth data should be appended. Fully explain acronyms or industry jargon. Anticipate and answer questions.

Key Stakeholders

Briefly identify the relevant stakeholders and, if necessary, describe their position(s). When applicable, consider internal USDA constituencies, other federal agencies, Congress, state and local governments, foreign governments, industry or other associations, and, most important, the American farmer, rancher, or forester.

Policy Options

In bulleted form, identify the possible options the Secretary may consider. When appropriate, note the advantages and/or disadvantages of each approach, which may be budgetary, legal, or intergovernmental, or reflect the way(s) the option may affect stakeholders.

Recommendation

Should there be a recommendation, note it here with a supporting rationale. When applicable, indicate a timeline and/or the framework of an action plan, i.e., what will be the next step.

Kindly,



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-----Original Message-----

From: Frank N. Tsamoutales [mailto:(b)@tsamoutales.com]
Sent: Friday, May 5, 2017 6:16 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re: Meeting

Indeed.

Many thanks.

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To: [Frank N. Tsamoutales](#)
Subject: RE: Meeting
Date: Sunday, May 7, 2017 5:15:53 PM

All good here. I have 30 mins allotted for Wednesday at 10 am.

Rebeckah

-----Original Message-----

From: Frank N. Tsamoutales [[mailto:\(b\)@tsamoutales.com](#)]
 Sent: Saturday, May 6, 2017 8:50 AM
 To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
 Subject: Re: Meeting

Rebeckah,

Please pardon the interruption. I just realized my response to you yesterday was intended for another email.

Thank you. Next Wednesday at 10am works well. How much time do we have?

Between your move and all that comes with taking on a new post as you have please feel free to adjust the time on Wednesday if necessary. I understand how fluid things must be for you at the moment.

In the meantime please let me know if you intend on having anyone from your staff join so I can include a colleague or two. Otherwise it will be just me.

Thank you, again. I look forward to seeing you on Wednesday.

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To: [Don Parrish](#)
Subject: RE: Meeting Request
Date: Thursday, September 28, 2017 2:13:47 PM

No preference, just whether you need me to participate.

From: Don Parrish [mailto:(b) @fb.org]
Sent: Thursday, September 28, 2017 1:34 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: Meeting Request

Which would you prefer?

Don R Parrish
American Farm Bureau Federation®
 202-406-3667
 (b) @fb.org

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC [mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov]
Sent: Thursday, September 28, 2017 1:31 PM
To: Don Parrish
Subject: Re: Meeting Request

I won't be here on Thursday, in nc.

Can connect u with others? Or we can do the conf call like u suggested?

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Sep 28, 2017, at 1:00 PM, Don Parrish (b) (6) @fb.org> wrote:

I made a mistake...they will be in town on Thursday the 5th... I am so sorry for the confusion.

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Sent: Thursday, September 28, 2017 12:00 PM
To: Don Parrish
Subject: RE: Meeting Request

Yes, Friday the 6th works – early afternoon is best if possible. Come to 200 A for checkin.

Will bring the right people with me.

Reb

From: Don Parrish [[mailto:\(b\)@fb.org](mailto:(b)@fb.org)]
Sent: Wednesday, September 27, 2017 11:02 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Meeting Request

I would like to bring a group of Illinois Farmers by on October 6th. Will that work for your schedule?

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [James McVaney](#)
Subject: RE: Meeting request
Date: Friday, May 19, 2017 12:25:09 PM

Of course, always happy to meet with the NC crew!

Reb

From: James McVaney [mailto:(b) (6)@bayer.com]
Sent: Friday, May 19, 2017 11:59 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re: Meeting request

Thanks Rebeckah.

For Baumann we would make the meeting the "anchor meeting" for his trip, so that would need to be with the Secretary. So I guess that we would have to wait until later.

I am trying to find some days for Jim Blome to come up from NC in the next few weeks. Can I take you up on the OSEC advisors offer for Jim?

Best,

Jim

PS - about to have lunch with J Vroom. (b) (6)

Jim McVaney
 Senior Director, Federal Affairs & Policy

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On May 17, 2017, at 4:59 PM, Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
<Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

Jim:

The Secretary will not be able to meet during the week requested, *but* the opportunity to host Mr. Baumann at USDA in the Secretary's office is very important to us.

Lauren asked me to reach out to Bayer as to whether we could offer a meeting with Senior OSEC Advisors and appropriate under cabinet leaders as an alternative option to discuss Bayer's issues and concerns for the Secretary?

We can also offer to try again at a later date when the Secretary's schedule normalizes (cross your fingers).

Let me know.

Reb

From: James McVaney [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\)@bayer.com](mailto:(b) (6)@bayer.com)]

Sent: Friday, May 05, 2017 12:36 PM

To: Sullivan, Lauren - OSEC, Washington, DC <Lauren.Sullivan@osec.usda.gov>

Cc: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>

Subject: RE: Meeting request

Lauren,

Thank you. I look forward to hearing from you.

Best,

Jim

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From: Sullivan, Lauren - OSEC, Washington, DC [<mailto:Lauren.Sullivan@osec.usda.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, May 04, 2017 8:20 PM
To: James McVaney
Cc: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
Subject: RE: Meeting request

James,

I sincerely apologize for the delay. We are working to manage the Secretary's schedule for the next few weeks. I will reach back out to you early next week when we have a better sense of what the beginning of June looks like. Thank you for your understanding during our first few weeks!

Best,
 Lauren

From: James McVaney [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\)@bayer.com](mailto:(b) (6)@bayer.com)]
Sent: Thursday, May 04, 2017 1:27 PM
To: Sullivan, Lauren - OSEC, Washington, DC <Lauren.Sullivan@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Meeting request

Lauren,

Rebeckah Adcock indicated that I should reach out to you about a potential meeting request for our global CEO, Werner Baumann. He would be company NG from Germany and this meeting would be the primary reason for his trip.

The primary focus would be to introduce himself and Bayer's agriculture business, and to discuss our planned acquisition of Monsanto.

We are targeting June 5. Is that even a possibility?

Thank you,

Jim

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To: [Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Pauline Chan](#)
Subject: RE: Meeting Request
Date: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 5:21:51 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Thanks for the confirmation, Kristi. I am available up to 2:15 on the 1st and up to 2 pm on the 2nd.

Would 1 pm on either of the 1st or 2nd days suit your group, Pauline?



Rebeckah

Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

From: Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 4:45 PM
To: Pauline Chan [\(b\) \(6\) @watsongreenllc.com](#)>
Cc: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>; Gordon, Julie - OSEC <Julie.Gordon@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re: Meeting Request

Either of those afternoons work for me. I look forward to meeting with you all.

Best,

Kristi J. Boswell
 Senior Advisor to the Secretary
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 Mobile: [\(b\) \(6\)](#)

Sent from my iPhone

On May 23, 2017, at 10:35 PM, Pauline Chan [\(b\) \(6\) @watsongreenllc.com](#)> wrote:

Rebeckah – Thanks so much for your note. I've consulted with NMPF and IDFA and they would be honored to meet with you and Kristi. From our standpoint, June 1 would be the better day, with the afternoon of June 2 as a second choice, but we will do our very best to arrange our schedules to meet whenever it is most convenient for you and Kristi.

I'm informed that the request from Michael Dykes at IDFA is separate and may also involve other issues besides the one we want to discuss, so with your permission we would hope that could be kept separate. Although my firm does not directly represent IDFA, I am sure they will be in touch with you about Mr. Dykes's request. Thank you again for contacting me, and I hope we can schedule a meeting for June 1 or 2.

Best regards,

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Pauline Chan
1010 Wisconsin Avenue NW, Suite 350
Washington, DC 20007
202-384-1840

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC

[<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>]

Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 3:39 PM

To: Pauline Chan <(b) (6)@watsongreenllc.com>

Cc: Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC <Kristi.Boswell@osec.usda.gov>; Gordon, Julie - OSEC <Julie.Gordon@osec.usda.gov>; Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>

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Sent: Friday, May 19, 2017 9:39 AM

To: Gordon, Julie - OSEC <Julie.Gordon@osec.usda.gov>

Subject: Meeting request with Heidi Green

Dear Julie,

The purpose of this e-mail is to request a meeting with Chief of Staff Heidi Green. We would very much appreciate the opportunity to meet with her at a time that is convenient to her next week - week of May 22. We would like to discuss implementation of the Secretary's announcement on 1% flavored milk. Randy Green, a principal of our firm would be in attendance at the meeting along with John Hollay with the National Milk Producers Federation (NMPF), Dave Carlin with the International Dairy Foods Association (IDFA) and Wayne Watkinson of McLeod, Watkinson & Miller.

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Sarah Hubbard](#)
Cc: [Tara Smith](#)
Subject: RE: Meeting request - Dairy Business Milk Marketing Coop (DBMMC) / Canada dairy trade
Date: Monday, May 1, 2017 5:45:04 PM
Attachments: [image003.png](#)

Thank you for the details – let me see what is doable and with whom to do it.



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From: Sarah Hubbard

[mailto:(b) (6)@torreydc.com]

Sent: Monday, May 1, 2017 5:41 PM

To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>

Cc: Tara Smith (b) (6)@torreydc.com>

Subject: Meeting request - Dairy Business Milk Marketing Coop (DBMMC) / Canada dairy trade

Rebeckah,

I hope your Monday is going well. Tara mentioned that you connected with her regarding the Dairy Business Milk Marketing Cooperative's (DBMMC) interest in visiting with the Secretary to discuss both the immediate dairy trade challenges with Canada and the need for a long-term strategy to improve access to the Canadian market. We think DBMMC brings a unique perspective given their firsthand involvement with the current ultrafiltered milk trade dispute. Twenty-three of their farmer members were notified in April that they would lose their contracts on May 1 due to Canada's policy change. Thankfully, after a lot of work, 22 of those farmers have found alternative processors for their milk and they are working on a solution for the final farm. However, some of the new agreements are short term so the issue is not completely resolved, which reinforces the need to discuss long-term solutions.

By way of background, DBMMC is a cooperative that was founded in 2010 and includes farmer members of all sizes in nine states across the Midwest who ship their milk to privately-owned dairy plants. It is headquartered in Wisconsin. They are a member of the National Council for Farmer Cooperatives. Our firm recently started representing them at the Federal level (just as news of the ultrafiltered milk issue broke – what timing!).

As Tara mentioned, DBMMC leaders are flexible and would be available to meet with the Secretary in D.C. or in Wisconsin, if his travels happen to bring him there. They plan to be in D.C. on June 22 and would welcome a meeting then. However, they are also open to meeting earlier than that if there is any availability, given the timeliness of these dairy trade issues. DBMMC is also interested in including some dairy processors in the meeting, so that they can share their perspectives, as well.

I hope these details are helpful. Please let me know if you have any additional questions. Thank you again for your time and consideration!

-Sarah

Sarah Hubbart

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Noah Kowalski](#); [Klippenstein, Brian - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: RE: Meeting Request - May 23 - Coalition for Sustainable Organics
Date: Wednesday, May 17, 2017 4:47:59 PM
Attachments: [image003.png](#)

Noah,

Thank you for reaching out to the Secretary's office on this issue. I am connecting you here with my colleague Brian Klippenstein who handles AMS issues including the organics programs.

Kindly,



Rebeckah Freeman Adcock

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From: Noah Kowalski [mailto:(b) (6)@invariantgr.com]
Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2017 4:42 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Meeting Request - May 23 - Coalition for Sustainable Organics

Rebeckah,

I am reaching out on behalf of the Coalition for Sustainable Organics whose members will be in town on Tuesday, May 23. The group is hoping to come in discuss the organics program and some changes proposed by the National Organics Standards Board that could create complications for their farming operations and negatively impact production and supply.

The group is free for most of the afternoon on the 23rd and happy to work around your schedule for a meeting. Please let us know what works best for you and look forward to connecting soon.

Best,
 Noah

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Miller, Jannine - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Cc: [Constance Cullman; Young, Joby - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Bcc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Re: Meeting Request - September 21
Date: Tuesday, September 12, 2017 10:09:57 AM
Attachments: [image003.png](#)
[image003.png](#)

Send us an invite, Constance, for that time

Rebeckah Adcock
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On Sep 12, 2017, at 10:06 AM, Miller, Jannine - OSEC, Washington, DC
 <Jannine.Miller@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

I can do 10am Sept 21 as well. Looking forward to it!

Jannine

Sent from my iPad

On Sep 12, 2017, at 9:36 AM, Constance Cullman
 (b) (6) <[\[REDACTED\]@farmfoundation.org](mailto:[REDACTED]@farmfoundation.org)> wrote:

Hi Joby! 10:00 am woks for us!

Sent from my BlackBerry Smartphone on the Verizon 4G LTE Network

From: Joby.Young@osec.usda.gov
Sent: September 12, 2017 8:11 AM
To: (b) (6) <[\[REDACTED\]@farmfoundation.org](mailto:[REDACTED]@farmfoundation.org)>; Jannine.Miller@osec.usda.gov;
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov
Subject: RE: Meeting Request - September 21

Hi Constance,

I've got a couple of openings on the 21st. 10am or 1pm? Maybe we can
 lock in one of those times and the others can join if available.

Joby Young

Chief of Staff – Office of Congressional Relations



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From: Constance Cullman [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\)@farmfoundation.org](mailto:(b) (6)@farmfoundation.org)]
Sent: Monday, September 11, 2017 8:02 PM
To: Miller, Jannine - OSEC, Washington, DC
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 <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>; Young, Joby - OSEC, Washington, DC
 <Joby.Young@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: Meeting Request - September 21

Dear Rebeckah, Jannine, and Joby-

Please forgive me for not being more definitive in what we wanted to discuss. Primarily, we wanted to acquaint you with what Farm Foundation is doing and gain a better understanding of the Secretary's priorities on issues that require objective convening of industry stakeholders. I specifically emailed you all for several reasons:

1. Share a very brief overview of our ongoing collaborations with NRCS and ERS
2. Share our efforts on rural and ag infrastructure and understand the Department's areas of interest specifically in infrastructure and what is anticipated from Congress in the next 12 months. Particularly your Rural Prosperity Initiative. We are interested in the general rural development issues, broadband, rural financing, and transportation (water, rail, road) and would like to see if there is a common set of concerns and ways to complement each other's efforts.
3. We are in DC to talk about innovation and barriers to research and adoption of new technologies at our Forum on September 19th. Several things play into this – from a data/information perspective it ranges from broadband access to common platforms to raw data access for farmers to their own information; for plant and animal sciences its private company requirements and regulatory obstacles; overall research funding is critical; and the ability of the public and private sectors to collaborate also affects development and adoption – the issue area is so massive, we are interested in discussing the Department's specific concerns to find a way to row in the same direction.

4. Give a heads up on our Congressional Fellowship Program that gets Congressional Staff out into the field.

I suspect we will run out of time before running out of topics. I want to emphasize that Farm Foundation does not advocate for specific positions, but the hard work is before we get to that – its bringing the right people to the table on the right issues with the right information to objectively assess what the options are for food and agriculture. We'd love to see how we can help the industry tackle these challenges.

Best Regards,
Constance

From: Constance Cullman
Sent: Monday, September 11, 2017 1:48 PM
To: Miller, Jannine - OSEC, Washington, DC; Rebeckah Adcock - ; Young, Joby - OSEC, Washington, DC
Subject: Meeting Request - September 21

Dear Rebeckah, Jannine, and Joby-

I hope all is well at USDA. I imagine that much of the Secretary's attention is on recovery in both Texas and Southeast. Devastating for people and agriculture alike.

I wanted to inquire if you might have time for a visit on Thursday, September 21. The Chairman of Farm Foundation's Board of Directors, Joe Swedberg, myself, and FF Vice President of External Relations will be in DC and would very much like to sit down with you all to share common areas of interest. We are currently working with USDA on four separate initiatives through ERS and NRCS. Our leadership is interested in building stronger public-private partnerships across the food and ag industry.

We are available all day with the exception of 1:30 to 2:30. Would you have 30-45 minutes to visit?

Best Regards,
Constance

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Constance Cullman](#)
Subject: RE: Meeting Request - September 21
Date: Monday, September 11, 2017 6:35:05 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Give me more details and I can give you a better list of who to target – for now, I am fairly open both days...but that will change so let me know what you hear from others.

Reb

From: Constance Cullman [mailto:(b) (6)@farmfoundation.org]
Sent: Monday, September 11, 2017 2:52 PM
To: Miller, Jannine - OSEC, Washington, DC <Jannine.Miller@osec.usda.gov>; Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>; Young, Joby - OSEC, Washington, DC <Joby.Young@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Meeting Request - September 21

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Sion, Roger \(US - Arlington\)](#)
Cc: [Page, Tim A. - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: RE: Meeting request / introduction to Deloitte's USDA account team and regulatory reform tool
Date: Thursday, July 27, 2017 10:55:27 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Thank you for the message, Roger. Happy to meet soon. Adding my colleague, Tim Page, to this email to coordinate with you on a date and time in early August.

Kindly,



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From: Sion, Roger (US - Arlington) [mailto:(b) (6)@deloitte.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 27, 2017 10:42 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Meeting request / introduction to Deloitte's USDA account team and regulatory reform tool

Rebeckah,

Hope all is well. By way of introduction, I am a partner in Deloitte's Federal practice and the client relationship executive for our USDA account. I would welcome the opportunity to meet with you and introduce you to our account leadership team.

As you may know, Deloitte has been supporting the Federal Government's mission for many years. Most recently, we have developed a regulatory reform tool and have been working closely with the leadership teams of our agency clients to help them respond to EO 13771 and EO 13777. Given your new role at USDA, I would be happy to share with you some lessons learned and best practices that we've seen other agencies develop in executing their overall regulatory reform initiatives.

Please let me know your availability over the next few weeks for us to connect. I look forward to hearing back from you soon.

Regards,
 Roger

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To: [Pauline Chan](#); [Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Cc: [Trollinger, Shelia - OSEC](#)
Subject: RE: Meeting Request for Kristi and Rebeckah, June 1
Date: Wednesday, May 24, 2017 2:18:53 PM
Attachments: [image002.png](#)

Thanks and see you then.

Please contact have Security contact the Secretary's reception contacts on 200A when you arrive. Let them know you are meeting with Kristi and me.

Rebeckah

From: Pauline Chan [mailto:(b) (6)@watsongreenllc.com]
Sent: Wednesday, May 24, 2017 9:36 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>; Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC <Kristi.Boswell@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: Meeting Request

Hello Rebeckah,

Thank you again for your flexibility and 1:00 PM on Thursday, June 1 works for all our attendees. Attendees will be –

- John Hollay and Randy Green, National Milk Producers Federation;
- Dave Carlin and Tyson Redpath, International Dairy Foods Association; and
- Wayne Watkinson, McLeod, Watkinson & Miller.

Would you kindly provide a contact name and number that we should call from security upon arrival.

Best regards,



Pauline Chan
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From: Pauline Chan
Sent: Wednesday, May 24, 2017 9:04 AM
To: 'Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC' <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>; Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC <Kristi.Boswell@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: Meeting Request

Good Morning Rebeckah,

I'm sure one or both of those times will work. We are checking quickly with our attendees and will get back to you as quickly as possible. Thanks so much for your flexibility!

Regards,



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From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC [<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 5:22 PM
To: Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC <Kristi.Boswell@osec.usda.gov>; Pauline Chan
(b) (6) <@watsongreenllc.com>
Subject: RE: Meeting Request

Thanks for the confirmation, Kristi. I am available up to 2:15 on the 1st and up to 2 pm on the 2nd.

Would 1 pm on either of the 1st or 2nd days suit your group, Pauline?



Rebeckah

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From: Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 4:45 PM
To: Pauline Chan (b) (6) <@watsongreenllc.com>
Cc: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>; Gordon, Julie - OSEC <Julie.Gordon@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re: Meeting Request

Either of those afternoons work for me. I look forward to meeting with you all.

Best,

Kristi J. Boswell
 Senior Advisor to the Secretary
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Sent from my iPhone

On May 23, 2017, at 10:35 PM, Pauline Chan (b) (6) <(b) (6)@watsongreenllc.com> wrote:

Rebeckah – Thanks so much for your note. I’ve consulted with NMPF and IDFA and they would be honored to meet with you and Kristi. From our standpoint, June 1 would be the better day, with the afternoon of June 2 as a second choice, but we will do our very best to arrange our schedules to meet whenever it is most convenient for you and Kristi.

I’m informed that the request from Michael Dykes at IDFA is separate and may also involve other issues besides the one we want to discuss, so with your permission we would hope that could be kept separate. Although my firm does not directly represent IDFA, I am sure they will be in touch with you about Mr. Dykes’s request. Thank you again for contacting me, and I hope we can schedule a meeting for June 1 or 2.

Best regards,

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From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC

[mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 3:39 PM

To: Pauline Chan <(b) (6)@watsongreenllc.com>

Cc: Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC <Kristi.Boswell@osec.usda.gov>; Gordon, Julie - OSEC <Julie.Gordon@osec.usda.gov>; Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>

Subject: Meeting Request

Pauline,

Julie passed along your meeting request due to Heidi's full schedule. I manage the regulatory reform agenda and my colleague, Kristi Boswell, handles food & nutrition policy for Secretary Purdue. We are currently working with OMB to determine the best path forward on implementing the plan for 1% flavored milk. Additionally, we have received a similar request directly from Michael Dykes at IDFA.

To ensure we complete our discussions with OMB and that Kristi is back from travel to be a part of these discussions, I suggest that we plan for a meeting later next week to discuss these issues. Please let me know whether Thur, June 1 or Fri, June 2 is suitable, and, also, whether this meeting would be appropriate for combining with the existing request from IDFA.

Kindly,

Rebeckah Freeman Adcock

Senior Advisor to the Secretary
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From: Pauline Chan [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\)@watsongreenllc.com](mailto:(b) (6)@watsongreenllc.com)]

Sent: Friday, May 19, 2017 9:39 AM

To: Gordon, Julie - OSEC <Julie.Gordon@osec.usda.gov>

Subject: Meeting request with Heidi Green

Dear Julie,

The purpose of this e-mail is to request a meeting with Chief of Staff Heidi Green. We would very much appreciate the opportunity to meet with her at a time that is convenient to her next week - week of May 22. We would like to discuss implementation of the Secretary's announcement on 1% flavored milk. Randy Green, a principal of our firm would be in attendance at the meeting along with John Hollay with the National Milk Producers Federation (NMPF), Dave Carlin with the International Dairy Foods Association (IDFA) and Wayne Watkinson of McLeod, Watkinson & Miller.

Thank you again for your assistance and please let me know if you need any additional information.

Best regards,

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To: [Nick Tindall](#)
Cc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Bcc: [Sullivan, Lauren - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Hudson, Bethany - OSEC, Washington DC](#)
Subject: RE: Meeting Request from AEM
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2017 9:58:36 AM
Attachments: [image003.png](#)

Nick –

Thank you for the outreach. The August schedule is still very tentative, but how about we put things down for the 17th and circle back a couple weeks out to see if still works for my end of things?

Re the Secretary – I will pass along the request to our schedulers with caveat that the Secretary is traveling extensively throughout August, so it may be a tough time to book DC meetings.

Kindly,



Rebeckah Freeman Adcock
 Senior Advisor to the Secretary
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From: Nick Tindall [mailto:(b) (6)@AEM.org]
Sent: Thursday, June 1, 2017 2:20 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Meeting Request

Rebeckah,

Hope all is well and congrats on the new gig.

I am bringing senior executives from our robotic milking machine manufacturers including GEA, Lely, DeLaval and BouMatic to Washington, DC on **Thursday, Aug 17** to discuss regulatory issues with FDA.

While these are reg issues with FDA, if you are free, I'd like them to meet with you and update the Secretary's office on the challenges we are facing. And if possible, have a brief chat with the Secretary.

First, are you available August 17 and who is the best contact to reach out regarding scheduling a

meeting with the Secretary?

Thanks!

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [David Beaudreau](#)
Subject: Re: Meeting request on behalf of Illinois Future Farmers of America: Thursday, July 20th
Date: Friday, July 14, 2017 9:07:40 AM

Let me check on it.

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Jul 14, 2017, at 9:06 AM, David Beaudreau <(b) (6)@dclrs.com> wrote:

Hey Rebeckah,

Hope you're well. Nice to see you briefly at the Kentucky reception. I put in this request in mid June and then again a couple weeks ago. Haven't heard anything. Do you know who I might ask? We are fine if anyone on the Secretary's team might have time next week to address this group of Future Farmers of America group. The list of attendees is attached.

Thanks for any assistance,

David

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From: David Beaudreau <(b) (6)@dclrs.com>
Date: Mon, Jun 26, 2017 at 3:57 PM
Subject: Meeting request on behalf of Illinois Future Farmers of America: Thursday, July 20th
To: scheduling@osec.usda.gov, SScheduler@ocio.usda.gov

To Whom it May Concern:

We work with the Illinois Corn Growers Association. They have a group of Illinois FFA students coming in July for a fly-in. List of students participating is attached.

They are hoping to spend some time with someone on the Secretary's team who can give them an overview/have a discussion broadly about farm policy/economics/trade/food safety issues.

They could come during the lunch hour at noon or 12:30 on Thursday, July 20th or 1:00 p m. if that would work.

Thank you for considering this request,

David G. Beaudreau Jr.

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To: [KUSCHMIDER, SCOTT \[AG/1920\]](#)
Cc: [Page, Tim A. - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: RE: Meeting request: Monsanto Veg Advisory Council - August 8
Date: Wednesday, July 26, 2017 8:08:07 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

All that should work , Scott.

One caveat – I am ethically precluded from talking about WOTUS so will have to leave that to others.

Reb

From: KUSCHMIDER, SCOTT [AG/1920] [mailto:(b) (6)@monsanto.com]
Sent: Friday, July 21, 2017 9:44 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Page, Tim A. - OSEC, Washington, DC <Tim.Page@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: Meeting request: Monsanto Veg Advisory Council - August 8

Rebeckah,

First of all, we are having severe company-wide email issues, so I hope this is getting to you on Friday morning, as I am hitting 'send.' I apologize for any delay in the response.

WHAT: Conversation with Monsanto Vegetable Advisory Council, a group of industry leaders who advise and provide counsel to our vegetable business leadership team

WHERE: W Hotel, 515 15th St. NW, Washington, DC 20004

WHEN: 10:40 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Tuesday, August 8

The agenda and Council biographies are attached. The overall theme of the day is "Regulatory and Market Trends that Will Impact Produce." It is an informal, off-the-record conversation with an anticipation that Q&A will be part of the 50-minute time allotted. Here is what I think would be most beneficial to the group:

- The new Administration's priorities and actions to date on regulatory reform in general, across agencies, and what may be in store for USDA, in particular
- Any thoughts on buyer stipulations around production methods and current regs for food safety, pesticides and organic standards
- I know it's not in the USDA wheelhouse but any update on WOTUS may be of interest given the recent announcement of the intention of a December rewrite by EPA
- Any additional outlook for policy direction that will affect fruit and vegetable production, distribution or marketing
- Access to labor is not elsewhere on the agenda but is a topic of general interest in the produce value chain

Again, I am out of town that week (b) (6) so sadly I cannot be present. Andrew Burchett,

who is our Vegetable Industry Affairs lead, is who I replaced here in the DC office six years ago, so he would be well-versed enough to give you an introduction to the group. I can envision being asked for a biography, so if you have one, I can send it along. And please let me know if you have any questions in the meantime. Thank you for agreeing to speak with this group.

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From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC [<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2017 2:15 PM
To: KUSCHMIDER, SCOTT [AG/1920] <(b) (6) @monsanto.com>
Cc: Page, Tim A. - OSEC, Washington, DC <Tim.Page@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: Meeting request: Monsanto Veg Advisory Council - August 8

Great news, Scott, we just finalize schedule and I get to come back early so should be able to be at your event!

Resend me details and what you want to cover.



Rebeckah
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Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2017 2:10 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Page, Tim A. - OSEC, Washington, DC <Tim.Page@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: Meeting request: Monsanto Veg Advisory Council - August 8

Hi Rebeckah,

I hope you are doing well and are staying cool. I wanted to check before the week is out to see if there's anyone at USDA in the way of a replacement who is available on Aug. 8 if you are on travel with the Secretary.

Scott Kuschmider
 Director, Government Affairs
 Monsanto Company

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From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC [<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>]
Sent: Friday, July 07, 2017 5:08 PM
To: KUSCHMIDER, SCOTT [AG/1920] (b) (6) @monsanto.com
Cc: Page, Tim A. - NRCS, Washington, DC <Tim.Page@wdc.usda.gov>; Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: Meeting request: Monsanto Veg Advisory Council - August 8

Scott –

It looks like I will be on travel now with the Secretary most of the week. However, give me a few days to see whether my 2nd chair here could fill in for me – he is doing tons of the work on reg reform with me. Give me a few more days to work out and pin down.

Reb

From: KUSCHMIDER, SCOTT [AG/1920] (b) (6) @monsanto.com
Sent: Wednesday, July 5, 2017 11:40 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: Meeting request: Monsanto Veg Advisory Council - August 8

Rebeckah,

I hope you are doing well and that you had a nice 4th of July. I am leaving for the rest of the week on work travel, but I wanted to check in with you following up on this request from May. As a reminder, Monsanto's Vegetable Advisory Council will be holding one of its two annual meetings here in Washington on Tuesday, August 8. I am assisting the folks in the business with putting the agenda together, and regulatory reform is a topic of great interest. If you have time on the morning of 8/8, we would love to have you come speak to the group and take questions. Once again, it is an informal, off-the-record gathering of our business leadership and major players in the vegetable value chain. The morning schedule is still mostly open but as I understand it, 10am-11am is a window being held open for you. I think earlier would work just fine, if it is more convenient.

If you can't make it but know of someone in the Secretary's office who is able to speak, please let me know. (b) (6) am available to assist prior to that week with

logistics, more info, anything you need. Thanks again for your consideration.

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From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC [<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>]
Sent: Wednesday, May 24, 2017 2:36 PM
To: KUSCHMIDER, SCOTT [AG/1920] <(b) (6) @monsanto.com>
Cc: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: Meeting request: Monsanto Veg Advisory Council - August 8

Interesting shared observation, Scott. All I can think is that it must be a slow news day. Me restating what is largely already in executive orders or that the Secretary has alluded to in public doesn't seem that newsworthy, but maybe it bears repeating?

I am not sure at this time what August will hold for OSEC. However, I thank you for the invitation and will absolutely add as a placeholder on my calendar. As the date draws closer, let's circle back to confirm whether I can participate and or if additional people or a surrogate is needed. I'm reasonably confident that USDA will be able to honor the invitation.

Kindly,

Rebeckah

From: KUSCHMIDER, SCOTT [AG/1920] [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\) @monsanto.com](mailto:(b) (6) @monsanto.com)]
Sent: Wednesday, May 24, 2017 2:28 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Meeting request: Monsanto Veg Advisory Council - August 8

Rebeckah,

I hope you are doing well. I missed your talk at Farm Foundation this morning, but Politico was certainly hanging on your every word based on the news clips I have read today. I hope you thought the appearance was a good one.

This is far, far off into the future, but I wanted to get this invitation on your radar sooner rather than later. Monsanto has for some time had a Vegetable Advisory Council: a group of industry leaders

who advise and provide counsel to our vegetable business leadership team. We usually balance our meetings between outside speakers/tours/visits that benefit the industry as a whole and with meetings or events on more Monsanto veg-business focused topics in order to get their feedback. The Council meets twice a year, typically once in St. Louis and once in another location. This August the meeting will be here in Washington.

We would like to invite you to meet with the Council on August 8 at the W Hotel in downtown Washington. This group would be interested to hear in the new Administration's thoughts on regulatory reform in general, and what may be in store for USDA, in particular. I expect the group would have thoughts on buyer stipulations around production methods and current regs for food safety, pesticides, organic standards, and so on. I can do whatever is helpful or necessary to get perspectives or possible questions ahead of time, but in general the meetings with this group are largely informal and free-flowing. I expect the group would hope for an hour of time, but I can check.

I've attached the biographies of the members of the Council. You will undoubtedly recognize or know some of the organizations and individual members.

If this time frame works for you, please let me know. I recognize it is in the heart of summer vacation season. If it does not but you can think of a colleague who may be able to speak to this group, please let me know that, as well, and we can discuss further. I look forward to hearing from you.

Scott Kuscmider
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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [\(b\) \(6\)@nafoalliance.org](#) Dave Tenny
Subject: RE: Meeting This Afternoon
Date: Friday, June 2, 2017 2:44:44 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Call me on desk phone below



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From: Dave Tenny [mailto:[\(b\) \(6\)@nafoalliance.org](#)]
Sent: Friday, June 2, 2017 2:13 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re: Meeting This Afternoon

Ok - I will call you at 3:15.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 2, 2017, at 12:59 PM, Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
 <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

We can

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Jun 2, 2017, at 12:46 PM, Dave Tenny [\(b\) \(6\)@nafoalliance.org](#) wrote:

Hi, Rebeckah – would you mind if we talk by phone this afternoon rather than meeting? My schedule just became a little more complicated. I would like to send you some material ahead of the call to provide some context.

If this works for you, I can either call [\(b\) \(6\)](#) or another number you prefer. Thanks.

Dave

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National Alliance of Forest Owners

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Sydney Stone](#)
Subject: RE: Meeting tomorrow afternoon at Ag
Date: Friday, May 12, 2017 11:02:42 AM
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Of course

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From: Sydney Stone [mailto:(b) (6)@alibaba-inc.com]
Sent: Friday, May 12, 2017 11:00 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Bill (b) (6)@alibaba-inc.com>; PelletierEric (b) (6)@alibaba-inc.com>; Murphy, Jr, James E. (b) (6)@bakerlaw.com>; Xiaoheng (耿小衡) (b) (6)@alibaba-inc.com>; Rollerson, Cherylene - OSEC <Cherylene.Rollerson@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re: Meeting tomorrow afternoon at Ag

Rebeckah- would it be possible to add one more attendee from Alibaba to the meeting this afternoon? Please see name and title below:

Malcolm Lee (Head of Policy, International GR)

Again, thank you so much.

Best,
 Sydney

[from Alimail iPhone](#)

-----Original Mail-----

From: Sydney Stone (b) (6)@alibaba-inc.com>
Date: 2017-05-11 20:07:11
Recipient: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
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CC: Bill (b) (6)@alibaba-inc.com>, PelletierEric (b) (6)@alibaba-inc.com>, Murphy, Jr, James E. (b) (6)@bakerlaw.com>, Xiaoheng (耿小衡) (b) (6)@alibaba-inc.com>, Rollerson, Cherylene - OSEC
 <Cherylene.Rollerson@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re: Meeting tomorrow afternoon at Ag
 Excellent! Thank you, Rebeckah. Here is who will attend from Alibaba:

Eric Pelletier (VP Head of International GR)
 Bill Anaya (Head of US GR)

Please let me know if you need any additional security information.

I know that both Bill and Eric look forward to the opportunity to meet with you tomorrow. I'll be sure to give them the instructions laid out below upon arrival.
 Thanks again for all your assistance.

Best regards,
Sydney

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From:Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC

<Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>

Date:2017-05-11 19:34:07

Recipient:Sydney Stone (b) (6) <[@alibaba-inc.com](mailto:(b) (6)@alibaba-inc.com)>

CC:ANAYA, William B. (b) (6) <[@alibaba-inc.com](mailto:(b) (6)@alibaba-inc.com)>, Pelletier, Eric

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<Cherylene.Rollerson@osec.usda.gov>

Subject:RE: Meeting tomorrow afternoon at Ag

Yes, let's plan for 12:30. USDA Whitten Building entrance off Jefferson Drive. Upon security check in, please ask that the officer contact Cherylene in the Secretary's office to be allowed to proceed upstairs to 200A, where she will let me know you have arrived.

Confirm the number of people attending, so that I can secure an appropriate space.

Kindly,



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From: Sydney Stone [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\)@alibaba-inc.com](mailto:(b) (6)@alibaba-inc.com)]

Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 7:25 PM

To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC

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Cc: Bill (b) (6) <[@alibaba-inc.com](mailto:(b) (6)@alibaba-inc.com)>; PelletierEric

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(b) (6) <[@bakerlaw.com](mailto:(b) (6)@bakerlaw.com)>; Xiaoheng (耿小衡)

(b) (6) @alibaba-inc.com>

Subject: Re: Meeting tomorrow afternoon at Ag

Rebeckah- completely understand! It looks like we could also do between 12:30-1:30 PM tomorrow. Might that work?

Appreciate you working with us to get this meeting on the books.

Best,
Sydney

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From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC

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Date: 2017-05-11 19:12:16

Recipient: Sydney Stone <(b) (6) @alibaba-inc.com>

CC: ANAYA, William B. (b) (6) @alibaba-inc.com>, Pelletier, Eric (b) (6) @alibaba-inc.com>, Murphy, Jr, James E. (b) (6) @bakerlaw.com>, Xiaoheng Geng (b) (6) @alibaba-inc.com>

Subject: RE: Meeting tomorrow afternoon at Ag
Sydney:

I am sad to report that my morning is stacked with meetings from 8:30 am until 12:15 pm. After that though, I am mostly open until close of business. Hope we can find a time tomorrow or on future visit if tomorrow isn't workable?

Kindly,



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Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 6:15 PM
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 (b) (6) <[REDACTED]@bakerlaw.com>; Xiaoheng (耿小衡)
 (b) (6) <[REDACTED]@alibaba-inc.com>
Subject: Re: Meeting tomorrow afternoon at Ag

Hi Rebeckah- thank you so much for your willingness to meet with our team tomorrow with such short notice. I am currently working to shift around some schedules, as I know your availability is best towards later in the afternoon. Please let me know if any times during the window below might work for you.

9:30-12:30 PM

Thanks again. Look forward to hearing from you.

Best Regards,
 Sydney

[from Alimail iPhone](#)

From: Murphy, Jr, James E.
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017
 1:51 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC,
 Washington, DC
Cc: Kirkland, William H.
 EOP/WHO; Ferguson, Michael A.;
 Jones, Christian B.; Shuford,
 Campbell - OSEC, Washington, DC;
 Young, Chris - OSEC, Washington,
 DC; Murphy, Jr, James E.
Subject: Re: USDA Contact

Rebeckah--

Thank you for offering to make some time available tomorrow afternoon, especially on such short notice. I will relay your availability to Alibaba and we

will be back in touch shortly.

Jim Murphy

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Senior Advisor



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From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC,
Washington, DC
<Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017
11:35 AM
To: Murphy, Jr, James E.
Cc: Kirkland, William H.
EOP/WHO; Ferguson, Michael A.;
Jones, Christian B.; Shuford,
Campbell - OSEC, Washington, DC;
Young, Chris - OSEC, Washington,
DC; Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC,
Washington, DC
Subject: RE: USDA Contact

Hello, Jim. I am available most
of the afternoon tomorrow if
that works for your group's
schedule?



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From: Shuford, Campbell -
OSEC, Washington, DC
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11:32 AM
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Young, Chris - OSEC,
Washington, DC
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Cc: Kirkland, William H.
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Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC,
Washington, DC
<Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: USDA Contact

Jim,

Unfortunately our Chief of Staff,
Heidi Green, will not be in
Washington D.C. tomorrow. The
best resource for your group to

meet with in the Secretary's office is Rebeckah Adcock, our Senior Policy Advisor. She is copied here and can coordinate with you on finding a good time tomorrow. She mentioned that the afternoon would be best.

Campbell

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Heather Soubra](#)
Subject: RE: Meeting with Michael Dykes, IDFA to discuss School Milk Implementation Planning
Date: Thursday, June 1, 2017 9:36:47 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Indeed, Heather. Michael is coming in to speak with our COS, Heidi Green next Friday am and she invited us to join that meeting – I presume we can effectively cover all the territory if most of us are together to meet with him at that time?

Reb

From: Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC
Sent: Thursday, June 1, 2017 8:20 AM
To: Heather Soubra (b) (6) @idfa.org>; Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: Meeting with Michael Dykes, IDFA to discuss School Milk Implementation Planning

Heather,

Hi! I apologize about the delay. It may be a mistake on my end, but I have a time slated for June 9th at 9:30 a.m. Assuming that is not an option, I am open Monday June 5th after 10 a.m. or June 6th after 2 p.m. works for me as well.

Best,

Kristi J. Boswell

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From: Heather Soubra [mailto:(b) (6) @idfa.org]
Sent: Wednesday, May 31, 2017 3:27 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>; Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC <Kristi.Boswell@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Meeting with Michael Dykes, IDFA to discuss School Milk Implementation Planning

Good afternoon Rebeckah and Kristi,

I hope you are both doing well and that you had a wonderful Memorial Day weekend. I wanted to follow up regarding our email string below about scheduling a time for an initial call with Michael Dykes, the president and CEO of the International Dairy Foods Association.

Would you please let me know of your availability for a meeting or call with Michael next week? I have listed some possible times below.

Thank you and I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Best,
Heather

Monday, June 5

9:00 a.m. until Noon

Tuesday, June 6

2:00 p.m.

Wednesday, June 7

4:00 p.m.

Thursday, June 8

10:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

3:00 p.m.

4:00 p.m.

HEATHER SOUBRA

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MAKING A DIFFERENCE FOR DAIRY

From: Heather Soubra

Sent: Friday, May 19, 2017 2:21 PM

To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>; Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC <Kristi.Boswell@osec.usda.gov>

Cc: Michael Dykes <(b) (6) [@idfa.org](mailto:(b)(6)@idfa.org)>

Subject: RE: School Milk Implementation Planning

That sounds perfect. I look forward to hearing from you with the date and time that works best for both of you.

Have a wonderful weekend.

-Heather

HEATHER SOUBRA

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MAKING A DIFFERENCE FOR DAIRY

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC [<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>]
Sent: Friday, May 19, 2017 2:19 PM
To: Heather Soubra (b) (6) @idfa.org; Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC
 <Kristi.Boswell@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Michael Dykes <(b) (6) @idfa.org>
Subject: RE: School Milk Implementation Planning

Kristi is out of the country until after the holiday with limited cell service, so may I suggest that we plan on meeting the week of June 5 to give her a chance to see and select from the choices that best suit her calendar (I will work with her to coordinate)?

Reb

From: Heather Soubra [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\) @idfa.org](mailto:(b) (6) @idfa.org)]
Sent: Friday, May 19, 2017 1:38 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>; Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC <Kristi.Boswell@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Dykes Michael - FASContact (b) (6) @idfa.org>
Subject: RE: School Milk Implementation Planning

Good afternoon Rebeckah and Kristi,

I am happy to work with you to set up a time for an initial call with Michael and another call with our members and members of the USDA team to bring them up to speed on the process.

I have listed some possible times below. Would you please let me know of your availability for an initial call with Michael and also of your availability for a call with Michael, our members, and members of the USDA team?

Thank you very much for your help getting this set up. Please let me know if you need anything else from me.

Have a wonderful weekend and I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Best,
 Heather Soubra on behalf of Michael Dykes

Availability for the following meetings/calls:

Call or Meeting #1: Initial call/meeting with Michael Dykes
Call #2: Call with Michael Dykes, our members, and members of the USDA team

Tuesday, May 30

Available anytime by phone

Wednesday, May 31

Available anytime by phone

Thursday, June 1

Available anytime by phone

Friday, June 2

Available anytime by phone

Monday, June 5

9:00 a.m. until Noon

Tuesday, June 6

2:00 p.m.

Wednesday, June 7

4:00 p.m.

Thursday, June 8

10:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

3:00 p.m.

4:00 p.m.

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MAKING A DIFFERENCE FOR DAIRY

From: Michael Dykes

Sent: Friday, May 19, 2017 10:53 AM

To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>

Cc: Heather Soubra (b) (6) <[\(b\)\(6\)@idfa.org](mailto:(b)(6)@idfa.org)>; Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC <Kristi.Boswell@osec.usda.gov>

Subject: RE: School Milk Implementation Planning

Rebeckah,

Thanks for your note. I look forward to working with you and others at USDA to get these new school milk changes implemented. My members are excited and have lots of questions as to how to bid, when to bid, what are the requirements, how to facilitate the exemptions with local schools, and others.

I am meeting with Heidi Green on June 9 so meeting with you and Kristi and others before June 9 would be awesome. I also want to schedule a call with my members and the USDA team to bring them up to speed on the process. Heather will work with you to get meetings scheduled. I will be out of the office next week as well.

Pleased to have you at USDA! Congratulations!

Michael

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC [<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>]

Sent: Friday, May 19, 2017 10:44 AM

To: Michael Dykes (b) (6) <[\(b\)\(6\)@idfa.org](mailto:(b)(6)@idfa.org)>

Cc: Heather Soubra (b) (6) <[\(b\)\(6\)@idfa.org](mailto:(b)(6)@idfa.org)>; Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC <Kristi.Boswell@osec.usda.gov>

Subject: RE: School Milk Implementation Planning

Good morning, Michael!

I would like to recommend that schedule a meeting when my colleague, Kristi Boswell, is back from travel so that she can participate on this planning as well. I manage the regulatory reform side of this issue, but Kristi is the OSEC policy expert on school lunch and nutrition related issues – her guidance in communication planning is important. Kristi will be back in the office week after next so could we set a tentative date and time the work week starting May 30th?

Kindly,



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From: Michael Dykes [mailto:(b) (6)@idfa.org]
Sent: Thursday, May 18, 2017 10:21 PM
To: Green, Heidi - OSEC, Washington, DC <Heidi.Green@osec.usda.gov>; Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Heather Soubra (b) (6)@idfa.org>; Gordon, Julie - OSEC <Julie.Gordon@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re: School Milk Implementation Planning

Excellent! Look forward to working with you and Rebekah on this positive development for our members and for school kids

Michael

From: Green, Heidi - OSEC, Washington, DC <heidi.green@osec.usda.gov>
Sent: Thursday, May 18, 2017 8:51 PM
Subject: Re: School Milk Implementation Planning
To: Michael Dykes (b) (6)@idfa.org>, Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <rebeckah.adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Gordon, Julie - OSEC <julie.gordon@osec.usda.gov>, Heather Soubra (b) (6)@idfa.org>

Michael, Rebeckah is working on the implementation so I am connecting you.

Thank you,
Heidi

Sent from my iPhone

On May 18, 2017, at 2:25 PM, Michael Dykes <(b) (6)@idfa.org> wrote:

Heidi

First let me congratulate you and the Secretary for all you have done to add 1% flavored milk to the school lunch programs. My IDFA members are excited about this change and it is one our organization has worked on for the past 3 years.

I would like to meet with you to determine how best we can communicate the

implementation of the language in the Congressional Omnibus on flavored milk and the changes announced by Secretary Perdue. Please let me know when you would have a few minutes to discuss a path forward to maybe get on a call with members of your team and my members interested in bidding on the school milk programs.

I look forward to working with you.

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To: [Larew Robert - FASContact](#); [Hazlett, Anne - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Re: Meeting with Roger Johnson and Secretary Johnson
Date: Tuesday, June 20, 2017 1:20:25 PM
Attachments: [image007.png](#)
[image008.png](#)
[image009.png](#)
[image010.png](#)

before I could get this on my calendar as confirmed, I got booked for a meeting from 10-11. Would you both be available to start at 11am rather than 10:30?

From: Rob Larew (b) (6) @nfudc.org>
Sent: Tuesday, June 20, 2017 12:12 AM
To: Hazlett, Anne - OSEC, Washington, DC; Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
Subject: Re: Meeting with Roger Johnson and Secretary Johnson

Thanks, Anne. See you soon.

----- Original message -----

From: "Hazlett, Anne - OSEC, Washington, DC" <Anne.Hazlett@osec.usda.gov>
Date: 6/19/17 6:49 PM (GMT-07:00)
To: Rob Larew (b) (6) @nfudc.org>, "Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC" <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: Meeting with Roger Johnson and Secretary Johnson

Hi everyone-- I would love to join and have it down on my calendar. Rob, I haven't had a chance to reach out yet but am very much looking forward to working with you and your members in this new role.

This is my new email and phone is (b) (6).

See you on the 28th!

Anne

From: Rob Larew [mailto:(b) (6) @nfudc.org]
Sent: Monday, June 19, 2017 3:56 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Hazlett, Anne - OSEC, Washington, DC <Anne.Hazlett@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re: Meeting with Roger Johnson and Secretary Johnson

That works for me. I'll see you June 28 at 10:30. Thanks again.

Rob

----- Original message -----

From: "Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC" <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
 Date: 6/19/17 12:40 PM (GMT-07:00)
 To: Rob Larew (b) (6) <[@nfudc.org](mailto:(b) (6)@nfudc.org)>
 Cc: "Hazlett, Anne - OSEC, Washington, DC" <Anne.Hazlett@osec.usda.gov>
 Subject: RE: Meeting with Roger Johnson and Secretary Johnson

Rob –

How about 10:30 am NEXT Wed the 28th?

Adding Anne too, in case wants to join us.

Reb

From: Rob Larew [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\)@nfudc.org](mailto:(b) (6)@nfudc.org)]
Sent: Monday, June 19, 2017 11:46 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re: Meeting with Roger Johnson and Secretary Johnson

Thanks for the follow-up. I'm out all week and return Tuesday next week. Would you have time Tuesday afternoon, Wednesday, or Thursday of that week?

----- Original message -----

From: "Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC" <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
 Date: 6/19/17 8:26 AM (GMT-07:00)
 To: Rob Larew (b) (6) <[@nfudc.org](mailto:(b) (6)@nfudc.org)>
 Subject: RE: Meeting with Roger Johnson and Secretary Johnson

Rob –

How does this Thursday look for you? I could do mid am or mid day, we have the dining room here upstairs if you'd like to grab lunch?

Reb

From: Rob Larew [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\)@nfudc.org](mailto:(b) (6)@nfudc.org)]
Sent: Friday, June 16, 2017 5:46 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>; Sullivan, Lauren - OSEC, Washington, DC <Lauren.Sullivan@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Meeting with Roger Johnson and Secretary Johnson

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Thanks for your efforts with the request.

Rob.

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To: [Larew Robert - FASContact](#); [Sullivan, Lauren - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: RE: Meeting with Roger Johnson and Secretary Johnson
Date: Friday, June 16, 2017 6:00:00 PM
Attachments: [image002.png](#)
[image003.png](#)
[image004.png](#)
[image005.png](#)

Received on points and thank you for the note.

Let's connect early next week to find a time to get together.

Reb

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Ethan Mathews](#)
Subject: Re: Monarch collaborative meeting
Date: Tuesday, August 1, 2017 9:27:23 AM

I will call you to discuss.

Rebeckah Adcock
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On Aug 1, 2017, at 7:33 AM, Ethan Mathews <(b) (6)@ncga.com> wrote:

Hey Rebeckah -

Following up on my email from last week with a bit more info on the panel.
 Below are items we are hoping you could address:

- Is the monarch anticipated to remain part of Working Lands for Wildlife going forward?
- Do you anticipate FSA will participate with the Service on a section 7 conference?
- Can you address whether mid-contract changes are being considered to allow growers more flexibility to implement pollinator conservation practices
- Please address various ways the Department is thinking about resourcing pollinator initiatives once current funding runs out

As of now we anticipate having other panelists from NACD, NASDA, ASTA and USFWS. If you have any questions please reach out.

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On Jul 25, 2017, at 3:28 PM, Ethan Mathews <(b) (6)@ncga.com> wrote:

Rebeckah –

I trust you are familiar with the [Keystone Monarch Collaborative](#), a multi-sector group that NCGA participates in comprised of researchers, agricultural production, conservation causes and public agencies working to promote voluntary efforts to restore, enhance, and protect monarch habitat while maintaining producers' flexibility in their operations. The Collaborative supports productive agriculture operations in concert with

monarch conservation and believes an increase in milkweed and nectar plants appropriately placed in rural areas can benefit monarchs without inhibiting production.

The Monarch Collaborative steering committee is meeting in Washington, DC on August 8-9. On behalf of the Keystone Monarch Collaborative, I would like to invite you to participate in a moderated panel discussion that will address practical and policy implications of scaling up the physical, programmatic, and economic infrastructure elements to help achieve the national goal of 225 million monarchs occupying approximately six hectares (~15 acres) in Mexico by 2020 ([National Strategy to Promote the Health of Honey Bees and Other Pollinators](#)).

Your perspective would be a valuable contribution to this panel. While we understand there is flux in connection with the USDA reorganization and the appointment process, information that you would be prepared to share on new developments within NRCS and FSA regarding monarchs and pollinators would be appreciated. We anticipate 4-5 panelists for this session, touching on various infrastructure elements needed to scale up such as seeds, plugs, incentives, technical and financial assistance programs and data tracking. The panel will take place on August 9 at 10:00 AM.

I am copying Suzan Klein, Keystone's project lead, who can provide further information about the Monarch Collaborative, the upcoming meeting, and the panel. Please reach out to either of us with any questions regarding the event.

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To: [Leonard Johnson](#)
Cc: [Larew Robert - FASContact](#)
Bcc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Monday Request
Date: Monday, October 16, 2017 11:46:47 AM

Good Morning, Mr Johnson!

As we are heading into the season of the farm bill, the Secretary wants to be sure that personal contact information is correct for all ag group leaders.

Would you be able to confirm your office phone and cell phone for us to ensure we have the best information?

Kindly,

Rebeckah Adcock
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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [\(b\) @fb.org](#)
Cc: [Page, Tim A. - NRCS, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: RE: Monday update
Date: Friday, July 7, 2017 4:59:32 PM

Mary Kay -

I will likely be in the car on Monday (small chance that I can make it if all perfectly). So, can we plan for me to call in and Tim to be there in person? Then, if it looks like I can make it to you in time, I will just meet Tim there and we can tag team in person.

Tim is cc'd here.

Reb

-----Original Message-----

From: Mary Kay Thatcher [[mailto:\(b\) @fb.org](#)]
 Sent: Thursday, July 6, 2017 5:54 AM
 To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
 Subject: Re: Monday update

(b) (6) I will leave it up to you as to whether you send Tim or do a combo. You know our group as well as I.

Mary Kay

> On Jul 6, 2017, at 2:38 AM, Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

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> Mkt- checking in with you about my meeting the policy conf re Reg reform. (b) (6)

(b) (6) Good news is, I have a plan B to keep you covered in the event I can't get back in time - I can call to meeting from the road OR I can send my #2 on Reg reform and rural prosperity task force, Tim Page, OR a combo of me on phone and him in the room.

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> Just wanted you to be aware as soon as I knew there may be a snag with me being in the room. We still very much want the chance to talk about our efforts with FB!

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> Will keep you posted once plans are firm.

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> Safe travels from Italy!

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> Rebeckah Adcock

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Laura Phelps](#); [Trollinger, Shelia - OSEC](#); [Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: RE: Mushrooms at USDA Farmers Market
Date: Friday, September 8, 2017 10:03:32 AM

Oh, I hope I can come out!

-----Original Message-----

From: Laura Phelps [(b) (6)] [\[REDACTED\]@mwmlaw.com](mailto:[REDACTED]@mwmlaw.com)
Sent: Friday, September 8, 2017 9:42 AM
To: Trollinger, Shelia - OSEC <Shelia.Trollinger@osec.usda.gov>; Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>; Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC <Kristi.Boswell@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Mushrooms at USDA Farmers Market

Hi - I'll be at the Veg-U-Cation booth at the farmers market today until 1 pm. Get out, enjoy some sunshine, taste some mushrooms and say hello!! Laura

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Troy Bredenkamp](#)
Cc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Re: My availability next week
Date: Tuesday, May 16, 2017 12:20:46 PM

Heidi and I can do the 24th at 1:30pm here at whitten bldg. that work for you?

Rebeckah Adcock
 Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

> On May 15, 2017, at 10:29 PM, Troy Bredenkamp (b) (6) @gmail.com> wrote:

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> Hi Rebeckah-

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> Thanks for the call back. I have yet to have the pleasure of meeting Heidi or Governor Perdue for that matter. Very much looking forward to it.

>

> In terms of dates before Memorial Day, I can make next week beginning Tuesday afternoon (5/23) through Thursday afternoon (5/25) work to make a trip out to meet with Heidi and whoever else I may need to discuss matters with. The sooner I know how things look for you and Heidi on your end, the sooner I can get some travel arrangements made.

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> The week of Memorial Day will not work for me, as I am a sponsor at our church's high school camp in Colorado, so the next availability I would have is the week of June 5.

>

> Thanks Rebeckah, great to hear from you. If this works out it would be a lot of fun to work with you again!

>

> Regards,

>

> Troy Bredenkamp

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: (b) (6) [@nafoalliance.org](#)
Subject: NAFO Meetings with USDA
Date: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 2:41:43 PM
Attachments: [image003.png](#)

Dave:

Thanks for following up.

Two items to note:

1. Due to moving targets relating to travel the week of your meeting with the Secretary, the schedulers here may be contacting you to move your group meeting to another time on the 12th (possibly, a new date, but hoping to avoid that). Thank you in advance for flexibility should it come to pass.
2. At least in the short term, I am helping to manage the policy re the Ag and Rural Prosperity Task Force. Happy to discuss that once the Secretary's ideas are a bit more final, so let's aim for later next week to meet. Perhaps Friday?



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From: Dave Tenny [mailto:(b) (6) [@nafoalliance.org](#)]
Sent: Monday, May 22, 2017 6:27 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Time for a call?

Hi, Rebeckah – nice to see you on Friday and even better to know you are working in the cage (if that is still what people are calling it).

Would you have time for a short call? I am bringing in the DC forestry sector association executives to meet with the Secretary on June 12 at 9:00am. The purposes of the meeting are to introduce our sector to the Secretary, hear his vision on his agenda, and identify how we can help.

Our assumption is that the Rural Prosperity EO will be fundamental to the Secretary's agenda, so we

would like to focus on that. I suspect that means you would staff him. I want to make sure you are prepared with what you need and that we are equally prepared to make the meeting a good use of the Secretary's time.

I am in through Wednesday this week and on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday next week.

Thanks, Rebeckah.

Dave

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To: [Leonard Johnson](#); [Sullivan, Lauren - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Hudson, Bethany - OSEC, Washington DC](#)
Cc: [David Thews](#); [Larew Robert - FASContact](#); [Matt Perdue](#); [Hill, Kathryn - OC, Washington, DC](#); [Hazlett, Anne - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: RE: National Farmers Union Fly-In, Sept. 11, Sec. Perdue Speaking Request
Date: Monday, June 26, 2017 12:24:28 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Thank you very much for the invitation to the Secretary. I am passing along to scheduling for follow up.

Kindly,



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From: Roger Johnson [mailto:(b) (6)@nfudc.org]
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Cc: David Thews <(b) (6)@nfudc.org>; Larew Robert - FASContact <(b) (6)@nfudc.org>; Matt Perdue <(b) (6)@nfudc.org>; Hill, Kathryn - OC, Washington, DC <Kathryn.Hill@oc.usda.gov>
Subject: National Farmers Union Fly-In, Sept. 11, Sec. Perdue Speaking Request

Dear Rebeckah,

Please find attached an invitation for Sec. Perdue to address those participating in National Farmers Union's fall fly-in. We have reserved the Jefferson Auditorium at USDA for a briefing of those participants on the morning of Monday, Sept. 11, 2017, through Kathryn Hill in your communications office. We are glad to once again work with Ms. Hill to secure a line-up of excellent high-level USDA speakers for that morning's briefing.

David Thews, Rob Larew, and Matt Perdue from our office (all copied here) will be glad to discuss this further. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Joshua Tonsager](#)
Subject: RE: NAWG Applauds USDA Reorganization Efforts, Urges Farmer Input During Transition Process
Date: Thursday, May 11, 2017 2:31:10 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

USDA did not make any move to zero out or eliminate any program or function with today's action.

The budget is a challenging subject, but it was not at issue in the reorganization.

From: Joshua Tonsager [mailto:(b) (6)@wheatworld.org]
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 2:26 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: NAWG Applauds USDA Reorganization Efforts, Urges Farmer Input During Transition Process

We really appreciate it!

One thing we forgot to ask you about was a couple of references that were in the Hagstrom Report this morning citing a "Democratic source" who said that the announcement was going to potentially include zeroing out PL 480 as well as MAP and FMD. I assume that's just ill-informed speculation on the part of this anonymous source, but could you verify that those proposals are not a part of today's announcement?

Thanks!

Josh

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC [<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 2:14 PM
To: Joshua Tonsager (b) (6)@wheatworld.org
Subject: RE: NAWG Applauds USDA Reorganization Efforts, Urges Farmer Input During Transition Process

Thanks for sharing and for the kind words! We are excited about the opportunity to deliver the best service possible to American farmers.



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Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 1:33 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Chandler Goule - FAS Contact (b) (6)@wheatworld.org>
Subject: FW: NAWG Applauds USDA Reorganization Efforts, Urges Farmer Input During Transition Process

Hi Rebeckah,

Thanks again for chatting with us earlier today! FYI, here is the release we just put out about the reorganization announcement.

Thanks!
 Josh

From: Wheatworld [mailto:wheatworld@wheatworld.org]
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 1:32 PM
To: Joshua Tonsager (b) (6)@wheatworld.org>
Subject: NAWG Applauds USDA Reorganization Efforts, Urges Farmer Input During Transition Process

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NAWG Applauds USDA Reorganization Efforts, Urges Farmer Input During Transition Process

Washington, D.C. (May 11, 2017) –Today, U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue announced the creation of an undersecretary for trade and foreign agricultural affairs in the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). He continued by declaring that the reorganization includes the formation of a newly-named Farm Production and Conservation mission area to have a customer focus and meet USDA constituents in the field.

NAWG President David Schemm made the following statement:

“Mandated in the 2014 Farm Bill, the establishment of this Undersecretary position emphasizes the mutual importance of agriculture and trade to the American economy.

“NAWG applauds the USDA for emphasizing the importance of trade by creating a specific mission area devoted to the Department’s trade programs. This move highlights the

significance that programs like the Market Access Program (MAP) and Foreign Market Development (FMD) program play in promoting wheat and other ag commodities all over the world.

"We also commend the Administration for recognizing the value of American agricultural products to international markets.

"Further, NAWG appreciates USDA's efforts to streamline agencies that producers interact with locally by moving NRCS into the same mission area as the Farm Service Agency (FSA) and the Risk Management Agency (RMA). We hope this effort will also lead to streamlining the paperwork of the programs administered by these agencies.

"Our producers rely on trade access throughout the world. It's vital that whomever fills this new position ensures that American wheat growers are made a priority in trade negotiations.

"NAWG is ready to work with the Administration in its search for a qualified candidate to fill this position and encourages them to use farmers and their farm organizations as a sounding board as the process moves forward."

About NAWG

[NAWG](#) is the primary policy representative in Washington D.C. for wheat growers, working to ensure a better future for America's growers, the industry and the general public. NAWG works with a team of [20 state wheat grower organizations](#) to benefit the wheat industry at the national levels. From their offices in the Wheat Growers Building on Capitol Hill, NAWG's staff members are in constant contact with state association representatives, NAWG grower leaders, Members of Congress, Congressional staff members, Administration officials and the public.

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Laura Phelps](#)
Subject: RE: need advice on meeting request
Date: Monday, May 15, 2017 11:03:46 AM

Will be adding you to forwarding email to the folks best suited to help here – sounds like this is a mixed issue for dairy and nutrition.

It's a good team here. So, it's easy to help the Secretary deliver good news. Hopefully, we will be able to thoughtfully deliver even the inevitable bad news that must always come around.

Reb

From: Laura Phelps [mailto:(b) (6) @mwmlaw.com]
Sent: Monday, May 15, 2017 10:42 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>; (b) (6) @yahoo.com' <(b) (6) @yahoo.com>
Subject: need advice on meeting request

Hope all is going well. Y'all are getting great press – I'm giving you all the credit.

Need your advice/help in getting an appointment with Wayne Watkinson (my boss) and Tom Gallagher, CEO of Dairy Management Inc. (the dairy checkoff), with the Secretary, Heidi, you or some combination thereof.

They specifically want to talk about Fuel Up to Play 60 -- an in-school nutrition and physical activity program sponsored by the National Dairy Council and NFL, in collaboration with USDA – and anything else of interest to USDA.

Tom will be in town Monday, June 5 through Wednesday, June 7, with just a couple of meetings already scheduled.

Can you let me know what I need to do? I would also like you and Heidi to meet Wayne beforehand if possible.

Thanks. (Sorry for sending the email to two addresses – wasn't sure about your new one.)

Laura

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: Mark Rokala [\(b\) @rokala.com](#); [Trollinger, Shelia - OSEC](#)
Bcc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Need to Rebook Coffee and Catch Up
Date: Monday, September 18, 2017 12:12:44 PM

Mark -

Forgive me for asking to schedule our meeting today, but my COS has assigned me fill in for her elsewhere at the same time.

Shelia- can you please work to reschedule soon

Thanks, Reb

Coffee and Catch Up

Scheduled: Monday, Sep 18, 2017 from 3:00 PM to 3:30 PM

Location: 202-B Washington DC 20560 United States

Invitees: [\(b\) \(6\) @rokala.com](#), [Trollinger, Shelia - OSEC](#)

Rebeckah Adcock

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Constance Cullman](#)
Subject: Re: Need your input!!!!
Date: Thursday, August 17, 2017 9:09:14 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

I always like simple, so the latter

Rebeckah Adcock
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On Aug 17, 2017, at 4:59 PM, Constance Cullman (b) (6) [@farmfoundation.org](mailto:(b) (6)@farmfoundation.org)> wrote:

Chicas-

Which of these vision statements captures your imagination and makes you want to know more about Farm Foundation?

A nation in which thoughtful policy fosters diverse and sustainable agricultural systems producing nutritious and affordable food for current and future generations

A nation of diverse and sustainable agricultural systems producing nutritious and affordable food

Thanks! ☺
Constance

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Larew Robert - FASContact](#)
Subject: RE: NFU Applauds USDA Decision to Allow for Emergency Haying in Upper Great Plains
Date: Tuesday, July 11, 2017 4:47:35 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

“Do right and feed everyone” – somedays that makes things very clear.

Reb

From: Rob Larew [(b) (6)]@nfudc.org]
Sent: Tuesday, July 11, 2017 10:02 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Fwd: NFU Applauds USDA Decision to Allow for Emergency Haying in Upper Great Plains

Many thanks

From: NFU News
 Sent: Tuesday, July 11, 8:52 AM
 Subject: NFU Applauds USDA Decision to Allow for Emergency Haying in Upper Gre



News Release

at Plains

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

July 11, 2017

Contact: Andrew Jerome, 202-314-a3106

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NFU Applauds USDA Decision to Allow for Emergency Haying in Upper Great Plains

WASHINGTON – U.S. Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue authorized the release of Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) land in Montana, North Dakota, and South Dakota for emergency haying. The announcement follows urgent requests from National Farmers Union (NFU), state Farmers Union divisions, agriculture groups and legislators for the USDA to address severe drought conditions in the Upper Great Plains.

In response to the decision, NFU President Roger Johnson issued the following statement:

“The persistent drought in the Upper Great Plains is forcing many of our members in the region to make tough decisions about downsizing their herd, or even keeping their farm. Given that they are also dealing with a severely depressed farm economy, the Secretary’s action will go a long way towards alleviating some of the concerns currently facing family farmers and ranchers.”

“NFU applauds the Secretary for listening to our concerns and responding in a meaningful way to help family ranchers in Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, and surrounding areas get through this drought.”

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About NFU

National Farmers Union has been working since 1902 to protect and enhance the economic well-being and quality of life for family farmers, ranchers and rural communities through advocating grassroots-driven policy positions adopted by its membership.

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Larew Robert - FASContact](#)
Subject: RE: NFU Fly-in update
Date: Tuesday, August 29, 2017 1:19:02 PM
Attachments: [image002.png](#)
[image003.png](#)
[image004.png](#)
[image005.png](#)

True story – *everything* here has been moved to tentative and travel schedules mostly cleared due to floods and forest fires. What I can say is he knows you're coming and very much wants to be there if he's in DC.

Reb

From: Rob Larew [mailto:(b) (6)@nfudc.org]
Sent: Monday, August 28, 2017 6:33 PM
To: Hudson, Bethany - OSEC, Washington DC <Bethany.Hudson@osec.usda.gov>; Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: David Thews (b) (6)@nfudc.org>; Hill, Kathryn - OC, Washington, DC <Kathryn.Hill@oc.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: NFU Fly-in update

Thank you, Bethany.

From: Hudson, Bethany - OSEC, Washington DC [mailto:Bethany.Hudson@osec.usda.gov]
Sent: Monday, August 28, 2017 6:03 PM
To: Rob Larew (b) (6)@nfudc.org>; Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: David Thews (b) (6)@nfudc.org>; Hill, Kathryn - OC, Washington, DC <Kathryn.Hill@oc.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: NFU Fly-in update

Hi Mr. Larew,

Lauren in my office has been in touch with Kathryn Hill. The Secretary's schedule is very much in flux right now given the devastation with Hurricane Harvey. Your event is on our radar, unfortunately, we just cannot commit at this time. We very much hope he will be able to drop by, and will be in touch once we can confirm.

Thank you,
Bethany

From: Rob Larew [mailto:(b) (6)@nfudc.org]
Sent: Monday, August 28, 2017 5:36 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Hudson, Bethany - OSEC, Washington DC <Bethany.Hudson@osec.usda.gov>; David Thews (b) (6)@nfudc.org>; Hill, Kathryn - OC, Washington, DC <Kathryn.Hill@oc.usda.gov>
Subject: NFU Fly-in update

First, let me say thanks for the strong USDA response to Hurricane Harvey. This will be a very long effort but the quick, important work so far is much appreciated.

I wanted to check in on the request to have Secretary Perdue address our NFU Fly-In delegation in the Jefferson Auditorium, the morning of Monday, September 11, 2017. We're excited to have over 250 NFU members from across the country coming to DC this year. They would value greatly the Secretary's insights into today's most pressing issues facing agriculture.

Kathryn Hill has been working with us on additional USDA speakers. We're thrilled to have Anne Hazlett representing Rural Development, Hubert Hamer with NASS, and Leonard Jordan with NRCS. We've also requested Brad Karmen with FSA and hope he can join us too.

Let me know if there are any questions or concerns I can address. We're hopeful the schedule will work for Secretary Perdue.

Thanks.

Rob.

Rob Larew
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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Larew Robert - FASContact](#); [Sullivan, Lauren - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Cc: [David Thews](#); [Green, Heidi - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: RE: NFU meeting request
Date: Friday, June 2, 2017 11:32:21 AM
Attachments: [image002.png](#)
[image003.png](#)
[image004.png](#)
[image005.png](#)
[image006.png](#)

Rob –

Thanks for the outreach, Rob. To provide follow up to our recent conversation and clarity on requests specific to Secretary Perdue prior to his confirmation, there was a meaningful distinction between USDA beachhead and then-Governor Perdue regarding scheduling. As you can imagine given the lengthy process, communications and requests very much piled up. Now, the Secretary's team is working very hard to accommodate and respond based on the most pressing issues and travel obligations for the Secretary. Part of that effort means the OSEC team is taking on follow up on requests where to offer to most senior level access possible in the short term.

At the President's urging and at the invitation of other Cabinet members, the Secretary will be traveling extensively over the next few weeks. So, I invite NFU to please come meet with me and others on the OSEC senior advisor team next week, if that is workable for your office.

Thank you for your patience as we make up for lost time while connecting with rural America and spotlighting agriculture.

Kindly,



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From: Rob Larew [mailto:(b) (6)@nfudc.org]
Sent: Thursday, June 1, 2017 4:04 PM
To: Sullivan, Lauren - OSEC, Washington, DC <Lauren.Sullivan@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: David Thews (b) (6)@nfudc.org; Green, Heidi - OSEC, Washington, DC <Heidi.Green@osec.usda.gov>; Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: NFU meeting request

Ha! That clarifies things! I'm so sorry for that confusing and errant attachment. This is why I should

leave scheduling to the professionals.

We remain very flexible on the dates for the meeting with Roger and the Secretary.

Rob.

From: Rob Larew
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 3:20 PM
To: 'Sullivan, Lauren - OSEC, Washington, DC'
Cc: David Thews; 'Heidi.green@osec.usda.gov'; 'Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC'
Subject: RE: NFU meeting request

I'm confused about what day you are referencing. We've been trying to secure a meeting between Roger Johnson and Secretary Perdue for several weeks, initiated before confirmation.

We are flexible about the day. I was simply updating our request to remind your office that Roger is unavailable the next two weeks.

Please let us know when a meeting may be possible.

I'm happy to discuss further if necessary.

Thanks for your assistance.

Rob.

Rob Larew
Sr VP of Public Policy and Communication
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From: Sullivan, Lauren - OSEC, Washington, DC [<mailto:Lauren.Sullivan@osec.usda.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 3:13 PM
To: Rob Larew
Cc: David Thews
Subject: RE: NFU meeting request

Thank you for sending this. The Secretary is leading a large meeting at USDA that day that has prevented us from scheduling things for the majority of that day.

Should that change, I will let you know as soon as possible, as I know he would hope to be a part of this if he is able.

From: Rob Larew [mailto:(b) (6)@nfudc.org]

Sent: Thursday, June 01, 2017 1:52 PM

To: Sullivan, Lauren - OSEC, Washington, DC <Lauren.Sullivan@osec.usda.gov>

Cc: David Thews (b) (6)@nfudc.org>

Subject: RE: NFU meeting request

Hi Lauren,

NFU President Johnson is still very much interested in a meeting with Secretary Perdue to discuss issues of importance to our members. Roger will be unavailable (b) (6)
[REDACTED]

I've included Roger's assistant, David, on this email. He is the best point of contact for securing and confirming a specific appointment time and date.

Thanks for your efforts with our request.

Rob.

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Ashton Harper](#)
Cc: [William Woodall](#)
Subject: Re: Nice meeting you today
Date: Friday, August 25, 2017 4:35:29 PM

Very sorry, Ashton, as mentioned I am on travel last half of next week. When will you next be in DC?

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Aug 25, 2017, at 2:44 PM, Ashton Harper (b) (6) @3rdstreetstrategies.net> wrote:

Rebeckah,

It was nice meeting you at the event with Secretary Perdue in Tifton today. My business partner and I will be in Washington next week and would like to stop by if you have a spare moment on Wednesday or Thursday.

Hope you have a great weekend.

Ashton Harper
(b) (6)

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [\(b\) \(6\) @yahoo.com](#)
Subject: Nick - OSEC Washington DC Westcott
Date: Thursday, August 3, 2017 6:15:26 AM
Attachments: [Nick - OSEC Washington DC Westcott.vcf](#)
[ATT00001.txt](#)

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To: [Trollinger, Shelia - OSEC](#)
Cc: [Don Parrish](#); [Bachmann, Peter - OCR, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: NRCS meeting with ILFB next Thurs, Oct 5
Date: Friday, September 29, 2017 1:08:43 PM
Attachments: [image003.png](#)

Shelia –

Please assist Peter in organizing a meeting between the right folks at NRCS and the IL Farm Bureau (work with Don, cc'd).

I will be out of town on Thurs but the meeting should proceed without me.

Thanks, Reb



Rebeckah Freeman Adcock

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Lee Strom](#); [Young, Chris - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Brian Folkerts](#); [Klippenstein, Brian - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Cc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: RE: Open Prairie Rural Opportunity Fund (RBIC)
Date: Monday, May 1, 2017 12:47:42 PM
Attachments: [image003.png](#)

Thank you, Lee.

Very helpful details, we are working to learn all we can about the opportunities that USDA programs offer rural communities.

Kindly,



Rebeckah Freeman Adcock

Senior Advisor, Office of the Secretary

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From: Lee Strom

[mailto:(b) (6)@openprairie.com]

Sent: Monday, May 1, 2017 12:35 PM

To: Young, Chris - OSEC, Washington, DC <Chris.Young@osec.usda.gov>; Brian Folkerts
 (b) (6)@gmail.com>; Klippenstein, Brian - OSEC, Washington, DC
 <Brian.Klippenstein@osec.usda.gov>

Cc: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>

Subject: RE: Open Prairie Rural Opportunity Fund (RBIC)

Chris: thanks for the note and intro to Rebeckah.

Rebeckah: it's a pleasure to connect. I believe you've recently been with CropLife? Jay Vroom and I go back many years as he's originally from Illinois.

As you can see from the email chain below, I'm part of the Open Prairie team which has been working to launch a new Rural Business Investment Corporation (the Open Prairie Rural Opportunity Fund, up to \$150 million) via USDA's RBIP program. We're currently working on the final steps toward a first closing of the fund in the next 2-3 months which will include USDA's license issuance. The contact person at USDA has been Dave Chesnick in Rural Development. We thought Secretary Perdue and your team should be aware as this may provide an excellent opportunity to highlight immediate action toward rural prosperity via rural business investment and resulting job growth. We're happy to work with you and please share thoughts on how best to proceed.

Also, if I can be of any assistance with the new task force, please don't hesitate to ask. I'm the most recent Republican Chair/CEO of the Farm Credit Administration and the longest serving member in the history of the 3-person FCA board. I had also served as Chair of the Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation.

Kind regards,
Lee

Leland Strom

Principal, **Open Prairie**

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Former Chair and CEO Farm Credit Administration

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Sent: Monday, May 1, 2017 8:35 AM
To: Lee Strom <(b) (6) [@openprairie.com](mailto:(b)(6)@openprairie.com)>; Brian Folkerts <(b) (6) [@gmail.com](mailto:(b)(6)@gmail.com)>; Klippenstein, Brian - OSEC, Washington, DC <Brian.Klippenstein@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: Open Prairie Rural Opportunity Fund (RBIC)

Thanks, Lee, et al. We appreciate the information.

I am copying Rebeckah Adcock, the Secretary's Senior Advisor, on this email. She has the point on this issue.

Cheers,
Chris

From: Lee Strom [[mailto:\(b\)\(6\)@openprairie.com](mailto:(b)(6)@openprairie.com)]
Sent: Thursday, April 27, 2017 2:52 PM
To: Brian Folkerts <(b) (6) [@gmail.com](mailto:(b)(6)@gmail.com)>; Klippenstein, Brian - OSEC, Washington, DC <Brian.Klippenstein@osec.usda.gov>; Young, Chris - OSEC, Washington, DC <Chris.Young@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Open Prairie Rural Opportunity Fund (RBIC)

Brian and Chris,

It's a pleasure to connect and many thanks to Brian. It was an honor to receive the nomination of President Bush in 2006 and serve as Chair and CEO of the Farm Credit Administration. When I look back on my time in Washington, probably the most significant accomplishment was the successful exclusion of the Farm Credit System from Dodd-Frank in 2010 which included many meetings on the Hill and tense negotiations with Treasury (including Geithner). It's estimated this has saved the System and its owner/members upwards of \$50 million/year.

Upon my return home to Illinois in early 2015, I became a principal in the firm of Open Prairie Ventures headquartered in Effingham, Illinois. Over the past two years, Open Prairie has been working to establish the Open Prairie Rural Opportunity Fund, a Rural Business Investment Corporation (RBIC) under the USDA RBIP program. Our anchor investor is the Farm Credit System (CoBank, AgriBank, and several Farm Credit associations) along with several commercial and

community banks. Our target is to have the first closing of the fund in the next 2-3 months which includes the final USDA license step.

We wanted to make sure Sec. Perdue and your team are aware this is forthcoming. With President Trump's signing on Tuesday of the Executive Order on Rural Prosperity, this could be a great opportunity to showcase immediate efforts to assist Rural America via investments in small business and resulting job growth.

Please note the background of Jim Schultz in the email below. He is the founder of Open Prairie and a key player in Illinois Republican Governor Bruce Rauner's administration.

Brian: as a side note, I've met your father Glen on several occasions over the years at various farm related events and I hope he is doing well. I've also known Charlie Kruse, former Missouri Farm Bureau president, for a very long time although it's been while since we've connected. Do you know how he's doing?

Please advise on how you'd like to proceed. We are happy to participate in a conference call to provide additional background or would also be happy to meet in-person if preferred.

Best regards,
Lee

Leland Strom

Principal, **Open Prairie**

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Former Chair and CEO Farm Credit Administration

From: Brian Folkerts [[mailto:\(b\)\(6\)@gmail.com](mailto:(b)(6)@gmail.com)]

Sent: Thursday, April 27, 2017 7:43 AM

To: Klippenstein, Brian - OSEC, Washington, DC <brian.klippenstein@osec.usda.gov>;
Chris.Young@osec.usda.gov

Cc: Lee Strom (b) (6) [@openprairie.com](mailto:(b)(6)@openprairie.com)>

Subject: Fwd: Follow-up to Your Note

Brian/Chris, I'm virtually introducing you to Lee Strom in Illinois who's preparing to launch a new Rural Business Investment Corporation via USDA in the next 60 days. Lee served as Chair and CEO of the Farm Credit Administration during the last Bush Administration, and has brought to my attention that this RBIC launch may be of interest to Sec. Perdue and the USDA team given the President's signing earlier this week of the Executive Order for Rural America. I don't know if either of you are familiar with this program, but am forwarding this information to you so that you pass it to appropriate person(s) on the team, or provide any feedback to Lee.

Lee, I hope this introduction meets your immediate needs. Let me know if I can be of further assistance.

Regards to all,

Brian

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Lee Strom** (b) (6) <[REDACTED]@openprairie.com>
 Date: Wed, Apr 26, 2017 at 1:30 PM
 Subject: RE: Follow-up to Your Note
 To: Brian Folkerts <(b) (6) [REDACTED]@gmail.com>

Brian,

Thanks for the quick response to my earlier message. Here are some more details:

The Rural Business Investment Program (RBIP) was part of the 2002 Farm Bill (when Veneman was Sec) and provided USDA the authority to license Rural Business Investment Corporations (RBICs) similar to SBA SBICs with a focus on rural America. Congress made some amendments to the program in the 2008 Farm Bill. Congress also granted the Farm Credit System (CoBank, Agribank, etc) the ability to invest in RBICs. I've attached an RBIC fact sheet that's been on USDA's website from a few years back.

Open Prairie (headquartered in Effingham, Illinois) was given a "green light letter" from USDA in May of last year to establish the Open Prairie Rural Opportunity Fund (up to \$150 million) which basically approved our management team and gave us the go-ahead to begin raising funds. We plan to close the first \$50 million of the fund in the next 60 days with subsequent follow-on closings. What is unique about this fund is its make up of both Farm Credit and commercial bank investors. The only other major RBIC, Advantage Capital, was launched in 2014 with the entire fund being made up of all Farm Credit System capital.

This may be a great opportunity for Secretary Perdue to get some early press on help to rural America and we are happy to work with him and the team at USDA and WH to gain maximum exposure. It certainly seems to fit right into the theme of yesterday's Executive Order and can be a "quick action" item. We can provide more detail for his team to review.

As additional background, Jim Schultz, founder of Open Prairie, was chair of Citizens for Rauner during the 2014 Governor's race here in Illinois. When elected, Rauner asked Jim to head the Department of Commerce which he did until April of last year when the Governor asked him to create a new private sector economic development firm for Illinois. Jim oversaw the creation of Intersect Illinois as its new CEO, but will be leaving the role soon to concentrate on the launch of this new RBIC. Open Prairie manages other funds as well. When I came back to Illinois in early 2015 following my service at the Farm Credit Administration, Jim offered the opportunity to join Open Prairie.

Regarding my other current work, I also serve as CEO of FARM Illinois, the new statewide collaboration created to position Illinois and the Chicago region as the global center for food and agriculture innovation. We have most of the major players in this space as part of this effort and our chair is Dr. Bob Easter, President Emeritus of the University of Illinois.

Best,
Lee

Leland Strom

Principal, **Open Prairie**

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Former Chair and CEO Farm Credit Administration

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Date: Tuesday, May 2, 2017 12:16:02 PM

Yes, and yes. I'm gonna hand you off to Shelia for booking a space any other needs. Look for an email from her soon.

Reb

From: Bucky Kennedy [mailto:(b) (6)@southcrop.org]
Sent: Tuesday, May 2, 2017 11:56 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
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Thursday is bad because that is our hill visits and we have a late meeting with Administrator Pruitt. 2-2:30 could work as long as we can get back to Hyatt by 3 which we should be able to. Let's do 2-2:30. At USDA preferably because I am sure some of my guys have never been over there. Can you get a place for us to meet? Do you need names for security?

BK

Bucky Kennedy

SCPA

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On May 2, 2017, at 10:28 AM, Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
 <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

I have mtg from 1-2, could likely do briefly from 2-2:30 tomorrow. I could do the tomorrow am between 9-11 (if I move another meeting). Not sure whether Thursday is an option but it's more open.

Klip, any of this work for you?

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Subject: Re: Klippenstein and or I can meet with y'all tomorrow. What times are preferred?

Correction. May be better around 1 to 130. Doe that work for y'all.

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To: [Katie Fast](#)
Cc: (b) [@ofic.com](#)
Subject: Re: Oregon fires
Date: Sunday, August 27, 2017 6:08:50 PM

Katie-

Thanks for the email and the connection to Kristina. Notwithstanding the terrible circumstance in Oregon, the hopeful news is Secretary Perdue has the repair and reform USFS at the top of his list - things have been upside down for years so meaningful improvements do take time and budgeting is a very big, controversial part of the issue.

Our office is closely monitoring and very aware of conditions on the ground - we have been actively discussing all options currently available.

I will also be passing your email along to the team here in DC for follow up. Watch for that email.

Kindly, Reb

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Aug 26, 2017, at 2:42 PM, Katie Fast <(b) [@ofsonline.org](#)> wrote:

Rebeckah,

Hope all is well!

I want to introduce you to Kristina McNitt. Kristina is the President of Oregon Forest Industries Council and represents the larger industrial timber landowner in the state. She is a good friend and also former Farm Bureau staff.

We would like to start a conversation within USDA and the administration regarding USFS fire procedures. Currently, rural Oregon is burning up. We are home to the America's largest fire, the Checto Bar, which has burned over 105,000 acres and makes the perfect background to discuss USFS protocol reforms that are desperately needed and how mismanagement of our federal forests threaten ecosystems, private lands and rural economies.

For the West, public land management is an important piece to be included in USDA's regulatory reform and rural prosperity initiatives and the President's Executive Order.

Let us know what's the best path to get this conversation started. Unfortunately, these fires highlight the long term problems within USFS, but also give us an opportunity to show the need for change.

Thanks, Katie

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To: [\(b\) \(6\) @yahoo.com](#)
Subject: FW: Perdue took 8 non-commercial flights, USDA details in response to House Oversight inquiry
Date: Tuesday, October 31, 2017 3:33:14 PM

From: Rich, Michawn - OC, Washington, DC
Sent: Tuesday, October 31, 2017 1:16 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>; Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC <Kristi.Boswell@osec.usda.gov>
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By Sabrina Rodriguez

10/31/2017 01:14 PM EDT

USDA complied with the House Oversight Committee's inquiry into accounting of the federal agency's official travel, providing [records](#) that show Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue has made eight trips on government-owned planes or helicopters.

The letters detail costs totaling \$114,000. Four of the flights were on Air Force One or Air Force Two and were either with President Donald Trump and Vice President Mike Pence.

Two of Perdue's travels were on military flights on U.S. Air Force aircraft, but the records only list the costs for one of the flights, when Perdue traveled with Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke and members of both departments' staff to Missoula, Mont., on Aug. 24. The trip was to survey wildfire damage and meet with firefighters. The letter notes that the White House approved the use of military aircraft, and the USDA manifest cost was about \$28,000.

In addition, the U.S. Air Force took Perdue and three USDA officials to Little Rock, Ark., when there was severe flooding around May 7. The Air Force did not charge the USDA for the trip and there wasn't an estimated cost provided. The letter said that there was not a viable commercial flight option in light of the flooding.

Another flight was in a U.S. Forest Service aircraft to Great Falls, Mont., and two cities in Idaho, to meet with Forest Service officials, which cost about \$800. The other flight involved a helicopter to Camp David for a cabinet meeting, which was of no cost to USDA.

Earlier this month, House Oversight Chairman [Trey Gowdy threatened to subpoena](#) USDA and the Justice Department after both failed to produce travel documents, which the committee asked from the White House and 24 federal agencies for an Oct. 10 deadline. USDA produced

the numbers in an Oct. 24 letter, ahead of the final Oct. 31 deadline.

Perdue's most expensive flight was a \$35,000 June trip for a farm innovation and technology event on Air Force One with his chief of staff Heidi Green, Trump and other cabinet secretaries. The records do not include the cost of one of the flights, as the department is confirming costs with the Defense Department.

The bipartisan move to investigate how Trump cabinet secretaries have been using charter jets and other taxpayer-funded flights comes following POLITICO's [reporting](#) on hundreds of thousands of dollars in charter jet travel by former Health and Human Services Secretary Tom Price.






The USDA letter said that Perdue and other non-career officials did not take any flights on charter planes or leased aircraft.

In another letter, USDA said it had [no records](#) of federal funds spent on products and services provided from businesses owned by or affiliated with Trump Organization. This comes in response to an August request from House Oversight to provide documents related to spending associated with the Trump family company.

To view online:

<https://www.politicopro.com/agriculture/story/2017/10/perdue-took-8-non-commercial-flights-usda-details-in-response-to-house-oversight-inquiry-164169>

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Subject: RE: Plant Breeding Innovations, Biotech & EO
Date: Wednesday, May 17, 2017 9:35:50 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

I have forwarded to Brian but he has been on travel so give him a few days to catch up!

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Subject: ABA @ 10

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Adding to Brian for further consideration. Thanks for following up.



Rebeckah

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To: [Frank N. Tsamoutales](#)
Subject: RE: Please call me when you have a brief moment. (b) (6) No rush. Thank you.
Date: Tuesday, June 6, 2017 9:51:16 AM

Frank -

There is still much internal discussion and lack of clarity on the long term plan and budget for this project, so things will take longer to determine. Recognizing that this is frustrating to you and Honeywell, we are working through all the layers, timelines and options to get you an answer as soon as possible.

Rebeckah

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Reb,

Please pardon the interruption. I know how busy you must be these days with no signs of slowing down anytime soon.

The team needs to commence the investment grade audit (IGA) immediately. Can we expect the issuance of the notice to proceed so we can take next steps and keep with the schedule? Remember, no financial commitment required of USDA for the IGA. All the risk is on us.

Sorry to be trouble. We have engineering resources that are ready and dedicated to the project.

Best,

Frank T

Sent from my iPhone. Please excuse any typos. Siri makes mistakes too. Thank you kindly.

> On May 19, 2017, at 12:27 PM, Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
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> Frank -

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> I am working on getting internal clarity on this issue (in between the other issues) so please bear with me as I help

the Secretary consider how best to proceed - at this point, I have nothing new to report.

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> Reb

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Frank N. Tsamoutales [mailto:(b)@tsamoutales.com]

> Sent: Friday, May 19, 2017 11:46 AM

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Subject: Re: Please let me know when we can meet (or talk) sometime after the "holiday". Enjoying..
Date: Friday, July 7, 2017 8:54:15 AM

Still a work in progress - folks here don't believe they have absolute answers to funding in the out years.

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> On Jul 7, 2017, at 8:13 AM, Frank N. Tsamoutales (b) [REDACTED]@tsamoutales.com> wrote:
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> Watching your handiwork throughout recent USDA related initiatives rollouts. Well done.
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Subject: Re: Please send background information
Date: Tuesday, May 9, 2017 4:34:34 PM

Perfect

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> On May 9, 2017, at 4:18 PM, Hunt Shipman <(b) (6)@cgagroup.com> wrote:
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 > Attached are 2 specific docs on Dow's corn and soy products – they have a compelling story of the length of time that their application has been pending.
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 > Also attached is a more generic paper on China approvals.
 >
 > Let me know if you need more.
 >
 > Hunt
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 > From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC [<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>]
 > Sent: Tuesday, May 9, 2017 4:05 PM
 > To: Hunt Shipman (b) (6)@cgagroup.com>
 > Subject: Re: Please send background information
 >
 > Need to get talking points before the morning- do you have basic issue list available now?
 >
 > Rebeckah Adcock
 > Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov<<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>>
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 > On May 9, 2017, at 2:33 PM, Hunt Shipman <hshipman@cgagroup.com<[mailto:\(b\) \(6\)@cgagroup.com](mailto:(b) (6)@cgagroup.com)>>
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 <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov<<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>>> wrote:
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 > <Enlist Corn China Regulatory Summary (2017 May).docx>
 > <Enlist Soybean China Regulatory Summary (2017 May).docx>
 > <China Biotech Approval Backgrounder May 2017.docx>

From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Shipman, Hunt \(EXT\) - RMA](#)
Subject: Re: Please send background information
Date: Tuesday, May 9, 2017 3:13:39 PM

Heard that, he likes to get to know people! A good thing. If I am in room, happy to help both!

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: (b) (6) [@nafoalliance.org](#)
Cc: [Klippenstein, Brian - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Re: Potential Opportunity for the Secretary - Landscape Scale Conservation
Date: Friday, August 18, 2017 11:32:00 AM

When is it?

Rebeckah Adcock
 Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

> On Aug 18, 2017, at 11:22 AM, Dave Tenny (b) (6) [@nafoalliance.org](#) wrote:

>

> Hi, Brian and Rebeckah – some of our members are participants in a major landscape conservation effort called the Network for Landscape Conservation (NLC). The NLC has planned a major conference in November at the National Conservation Training Center in Shepherdstown, WV. It is an invitation-only event that will bring together 225 of the nation's leading landscape conservation experts.

>

> The NLC is interested in hearing from the Secretary on his vision for landscape conservation. This caught my attention as a potentially good opportunity for the Secretary to address the subject in front of organizations who are engaged in practical, voluntary, non-regulatory approaches. I offered to reach out to you all to float the idea. I've attached a backgrounder on the NLC and the draft agenda of the event for context.

>

> Let me know if you think this is worth pursuing. I don't have a dog in the fight on his attendance – I just thought it looked pretty interesting, and the location seemed convenient. Thanks.

>

> Dave

>

> David P. Tenny

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> <NLC_background_June 2017_FINAL.PDF>

> <National LC Forum 2017 - Working Draft Agenda without Speakers - 7-31-17.doc>

From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Cain, Joe](#)
Bcc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Re: Question
Date: Monday, October 16, 2017 9:14:34 AM

Joe -

I have asked Joe Gilson to track down RD contact for you. However, for on farm water, NRCS is likely still the best program fit.

Rebeckah Adcock
 Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

> On Oct 16, 2017, at 8:19 AM, Cain, Joe (b) (6) @kyfb.com> wrote:

>

> Rebeckah,

>

> I hope this finds you well! I wanted to run something by you and get your thoughts.

>

> Kentucky Farm Bureau's Water Management Working Group is working with the Kentucky Water Resources Board to coordinate water resource development projects across the Commonwealth. I am trying to identify sources of Federal and state funds that might be available. Who at USDA might be able to help me identify grant or funding opportunities? I am currently working with Jimmy Bramblett and Karen Woodrich in NRCS to explore opportunities through NRCS, but wondered if there might be other sources you might suggest?

>

> We are looking at opportunities to use grey water through purple pipe initiatives. Is there someone within Rural Development you would suggest I contact?

>

> The projects are being designed to demonstrate things local farmers can put in place or utilize to enhance water resources for their farms. We are looking at both crop and livestock projects and have projects lined up that will increase water resources through new developments, increase water use efficiencies and look at new water technologies for agriculture. The objective is to make on-the-farm water resources more resilient while reducing agriculture's demand on rural water municipalities. It would be a win-win for everyone, and we are hoping to get projects in place soon.

>

> We have met with the entire Kentucky Congressional delegation and all are fully supportive. The issue is just identifying funds. Any ideas?

>

> Take care,

>

> Joe Cain

> Director, Commodity Division

> Kentucky Farm Bureau Federation

> P.O. Box 20700

> Louisville, KY 40250-0700

> Office: 502-495-7738

> Cell: (b) (6)

>

> Sent from my iPhone

From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Kevin Rogers](#)
Subject: RE: Question for Arizona Farm Bureau
Date: Thursday, November 2, 2017 5:19:56 PM

Tomorrow is good too – I do need to speak in person if possible.

Thanks, Reb

From: Kevin Rogers [mailto:(b) (6)]
Sent: Thursday, November 2, 2017 5:09 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re: Question for Arizona Farm Bureau

Thank you- I am at my annual meeting today and can email but hard to talk.

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 2, 2017, at 1:49 PM, Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
 <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

Kevin,

It's been a long time since my Farm Bureau days – hope all is well with you!

USDA would like to contact you regarding an agricultural matter. Please call me at your earliest convenience.

Kindly,

<image001.png> **Rebeckah Freeman Adcock**
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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: (b) (6) [@ifbf.org](#) Dave Miller
Subject: Question for Iowa Farm Bureau
Date: Wednesday, November 1, 2017 4:17:29 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Dave,

Please call me at your convenience. USDA would like to contact you regarding an agricultural matter in Iowa.

Kindly,



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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Cain, Joe](#)
Subject: Re: Questions
Date: Tuesday, August 29, 2017 2:59:52 PM

We submit our info to OMB in Sept, expect them to release agenda later in Fall.

Rebeckah Adcock
 Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

> On Aug 29, 2017, at 2:21 PM, Cain, Joe (b) (6) @kyfb.com> wrote:
 >
 > Thanks Rebeckah. I will try and connect with Zhulieta soon.
 >
 > When do you anticipate the proposed Fall Regulatory Agenda will come out?
 >
 > Take care,
 >
 > Joe Cain
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 > On Aug 29, 2017, at 2:16 PM, Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
 <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov<<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>>> wrote:
 >
 > Joe –
 >
 > Zhulieta Willbrand in FAS is happy to help connect you with appropriate people on our South America team – she is added to this message.
 >
 > Regarding regulatory reform, you may want to hold off for round 2 of public comment – that would give you an opportunity to see what we are proposing to propose and reform in the 2017 Fall Regulatory Agenda. The Agenda’s come out twice a year and give a glimpse of what all agencies have planned for the next half of the year. We will be at the process of earnest reform for the at least the next year.
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 > Reb
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 > From: Cain, Joe [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\) @kyfb.com](mailto:(b) (6) @kyfb.com)]
 > Sent: Tuesday, August 29, 2017 9:24 AM
 > To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
 <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov<<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>>>
 > Subject: Questions
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> Second, I am working with our county leaders on USDA's request for input on regulatory reform. We want to be helpful and I wondered if there was any resources already compiled on what has been identified that could be shared? Just curious.
>
> I hope all is well!
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> Take care,
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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Cain, Joe](#)
Subject: Re: Questions
Date: Tuesday, August 29, 2017 9:30:28 AM

Let me find out best option for you.

Rebeckah Adcock
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On Aug 29, 2017, at 9:24 AM, Cain, Joe <(b) (6)@kyfb.com> wrote:

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I hope all is well!

Take care,



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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Dykes Michael - FASContact](#); [Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Cc: [Tony Eberhard](#)
Subject: Re: Quick call this morning
Date: Wednesday, July 5, 2017 8:24:57 AM

I'm stuck in meetings but adding Kristi here in case she is open before 10.

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Jul 5, 2017, at 8:22 AM, Michael Dykes <[\(b\) \(6\)@idfa.org](#)> wrote:

Rebeckah
Tony and I would like to discuss an idea we had regarding school milk program.
Tony has a meeting on the Hill today at 10:00am and it would be great if we
could connect before this meeting

Please call my cell [\(b\) \(6\)](#) if you have a few minutes before 10 am

Thank you
Michael

From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Clark Mica](#)
Subject: RE: Quick Call?
Date: Wednesday, June 7, 2017 3:20:26 PM
Attachments: [image002.png](#)
[image003.png](#)

Would a call this evening be too late? 5:30 ish? I can call you from wherever I'm stuck at the moment.

Just broke from one meeting and now headed into others that will go long.



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From: Clark Mica [mailto:(b) (6)@tfi.org]
Sent: Wednesday, June 7, 2017 9:22 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Quick Call?

Hey Rebeckah,

I hope you're doing well and are all settled in at the new job. I was hoping you might have 2 minutes to chat quickly about the Ag EO. I'm free most of today if there is a time that works for you?

Thanks,

Clark

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Caswell, Matt](#)
Cc: [Sullivan, Lauren - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: FW: Quick Chat?
Date: Monday, October 2, 2017 12:03:18 PM

Send Head of Scheduling , Lauren Sullivan – lauren.sullivan@osec.usda.gov - and cc me.

From: Caswell, Matt [mailto:(b) (6)@AGP.com]
Sent: Monday, October 2, 2017 9:42 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: Quick Chat?

Hey Rebeckah! Hope all is well!

I wanted to follow up on our last visit about the potential for the Secretary (or Censky) to speak at our Annual Meeting in Omaha on Friday, January 19th. 800 coop managers and farmers in the room. 2:30 pm.

Who is the best person to contact there with the official request letter? I will make sure to CC you as well

Thanks!

Best,
 Matt

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From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC [<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>]
Sent: Friday, August 18, 2017 11:01 AM
To: Caswell, Matt <(b) (6)@AGP.com>
Subject: RE: Quick Chat?

First, no need to submit yet. We don't even process invites more than 3 months out. We should have an undercabinet by then and will have more options.

All invites are very fairly considered and we will have more people doing more events like as time goes by.

Details are who, what and why – I am in on scheduling meetings so can elaborate as well. Be sure to cc me on the invite you send to scheduling here.

Reb

From: Caswell, Matt [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\)@AGP.com](mailto:(b) (6)@AGP.com)]
Sent: Friday, August 18, 2017 11:32 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: Quick Chat?

Friday, January 19th. Sometime around 2:30 in Omaha.

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC [<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>]
Sent: Friday, August 18, 2017 10:31 AM
To: Caswell, Matt
Subject: Re: Quick Chat?

When is it?

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Aug 18, 2017, at 11:27 AM, Caswell, Matt <[\(b\) \(6\)@AGP.com](mailto:(b) (6)@AGP.com)> wrote:

Hey Rebeckah:

I'm curious if you have time this morning for a quick chat regarding an invitation for the Secretary Perdue to speak at our Annual Meeting.

Our Annual Meeting will be in January with over 1,000 farmers from NE, IA, KS, MO, SD, and MN. AGP is a farmer-owned cooperative making primarily soybean meal for domestic and international pork and poultry consumption. I think it would be a highly attractive event for the Administration and Secretary to attend.

We would like to invite the Secretary but first I have been asked to write a memo outlining some details and thought either a quick call or email from you would help me craft it internally.

Some questions I have: *(I won't hold you accountable for answer. Just looking for a best guess.)*

- How much press usually travel with the Secretary and do we have to let them

into our meeting to cover his speech? I think we do, don't we?

- How deep does the "surrogate" policy go? Steve Censky or other officials? I think Censky would likewise obviously be a great fit as he has long been a close friend to AGP.
- Who is the best person to submit the official invite to?

Thanks and look forward to hearing from you!

Best,
Matt

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To: [Christy Seyfert](#)
Cc: [Green, Heidi - OSEC, Washington, DC;](#) (b) (6) [@who.eop.gov;](#) [Manzano, Heather - RMA](#)
Subject: Re: RCIS Regulatory Reform Proposals
Date: Tuesday, June 20, 2017 5:49:34 AM

Thank you Christy.

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Jun 19, 2017, at 1:12 PM, Christy Seyfert (b) (6) [@rcis.com](#)> wrote:

Heidi, Rebeckah, and Ray,

Thank you for your leadership in improving the regulatory landscape in agriculture.

On behalf of Rural Community Insurance Services (RCIS) and parent company Zurich, we respectfully submit the attached letter along with nine crop insurance proposals that would improve our agents', our farmers', and our own experience in doing business with the federal government. RMA Acting Administrator Heather Manzano is copied for her awareness.

We welcome the opportunity to visit in person about these proposals as your schedules allow, as well as answer any questions you may have in the meantime.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

<image001.jpg>

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Pick, Rachel - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Fretz, Abbey - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Placek, Robert - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Carroll, Chad - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Green, Heidi - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Blair, David D. - OC, Washington, DC](#); [Westcott, Nick - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Cullo, Diane - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Rollins, Blake - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [\(b\) \(6\)](#); [Rich, Michawn - OC, Washington, DC](#); [Sloan, Matthew - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Bachmann, Peter - OCR, Washington, DC](#); [Crowe, Taylor - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Sullivan, Lauren - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Hudson, Bethany - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Shuford, Campbell - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Murtaugh, Tim - OC, Washington, DC](#); [Sindall, David - OSEC, Couture, Carly - OSEC, Washington, DC](#) Diane Cullo
Subject: re Scheduling Meeting invite
Date: Wednesday, May 24, 2017 6:33:23 PM
Attachments: [image002.png](#)

All –

From my iPhone, I added this meeting to my calendar at Lauren's request. In doing so, it somehow generated an invitation to you to attend this meeting as well. Please forgive my error, as I have no current or future intention of sending invitations to events organized by others!

(The iPhone is smarter than it's operator.)



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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Don Parrish](#)
Bcc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Re: RE:
Date: Thursday, September 14, 2017 11:28:23 AM

I'll call u when out of meeting

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Sep 14, 2017, at 11:27 AM, Don Parrish (b) (6) [@fb.org](#)> wrote:

What number should I call?

Don R Parrish
American Farm Bureau Federation®
202-406-3667
(b) (6) [@afb.org](#)

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
[\[mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov\]](mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov)
Sent: Thursday, September 14, 2017 11:27 AM
To: Don Parrish
Subject: Re:

Yes, and getting answers

Rebeckah Adcock
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On Sep 14, 2017, at 11:26 AM, Don Parrish (b) (6) [@fb.org](#)> wrote:

Do you have a minute to talk?

Don R Parrish
American Farm Bureau Federation®
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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Pelletier, Eric](#)
Cc: (b) (6) @bakerlaw.com; Bill; [Malcolm Lee](#); [Sydney](#); [Hafemeister, Jason - FAS](#)
Subject: RE: Re:Sec. Perdue and Famer Event in Michigan with Alibaba
Date: Wednesday, June 7, 2017 3:17:48 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Eric –

Thank you for your patience with the Secretary's ever changing schedule and travel obligations. I was just exchanging emails with FAS re this compelling event and was happy to know that FAS is participating.

Unfortunately, the Secretary will be traveling elsewhere, but OSEC has been instructed to carry the Secretary's regard and well wishes to the innovative leaders and participants at the Michigan event.

Please do reach out those leaders you are working with here at USDA FAS to determine whether a letter from the Secretary would be appropriate for the event.

Kindly,



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From: Pelletier, Eric [mailto:(b) (6) @alibaba-inc.com]
Sent: Tuesday, June 6, 2017 8:11 PM
To: PelletierEric C. (b) (6) @alibaba-inc.com>; Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
 <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: (b) (6) @bakerlaw.com; Bill (b) (6) @alibaba-inc.com>; Malcolm Lee
 (b) (6) @alibaba-inc.com>; Sydney (b) (6) @alibaba-inc.com>
Subject: Re:Sec. Perdue and Famer Event in Michigan with Alibaba

Rebekah,

Hope you are well. Just checking back on this request.

Thoughts?

Thanks,

Eric

James Murphy

Eric C. Pelletier Alibaba Group VP, Head of International Government Affairs (b) (6)

-----Original Mail-----

From: Pelletier, Eric <(b) (6)@alibaba-inc.com>

Date: 2017-05-27 02:17:40

Recipient: Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>

CC: (b) (6)@bakerlaw.com (b) (6)@bakerlaw.com, ANAYA, William B. James Murphy

(b) (6)@alibaba-inc.com, LEE, Malcolm R. (b) (6)@alibaba-inc.com>

Subject: Sec. Perdue and Famer Event in Michigan with Alibaba

Dear Rebeckah,

Good afternoon. Wanted to touch base before the holiday weekend begins.

Thank you again for meeting with us the other week. We really appreciated the conversation and are so glad you are there.

Wanted to connect with you about Ag's participation in the Gateway '17 event on June 20 -21 and ensure sure you have everything you need. Further details can be found at this web link: <http://gateway17.com/>

During our discussion, you were kind to offer to raise the possibility of the Secretary's participation in Gateway '17 in your leadership team meeting. We are already working closely with Agriculture Department's team in the region, ATO in China and the FAS.

With the event just under a month out, we are working to lock down our speaker slots. We are currently holding time for the Secretary and want to be sure that this continues to work for you and the Secretary. We are holding time on the morning of June 21st.

Look forward to working on the details with you. We also hope you and or other representatives from the department can participate in the event should your schedule permit.

Please let us know if you have any questions and how we can best plan for your and the Secretary's participation.

We're excited and looking forward to a great event. Already, more than 1,500 attendees have registered and many of them are from the agriculture industry. We expect between 2500-3000 to attend.

Thank you for all of your help and consideration.

Best,

Eric

Eric C. Pelletier

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Eric Pelletier](#)
Subject: Read: Sec. Perdue and Famer Event in Michigan with Alibaba
Date: Friday, May 26, 2017 2:43:13 PM
Attachments: [Read Sec. Perdue and Famer Event in Michigan with Alibaba.msg.msg](#)

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Eric Pelletier](#)
Subject: Read: Sec. Perdue and Famer Event in Michigan with Alibaba
Date: Wednesday, March 27, 2019 2:01:21 PM

Your message

To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
Subject: Sec. Perdue and Famer Event in Michigan with Alibaba
Sent: Friday, May 26, 2017 2:17:35 PM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)
was read on Friday, May 26, 2017 2:43:12 PM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).

From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Christy Seyfert](#)
Subject: RE: regulatory reform
Date: Wednesday, June 7, 2017 2:35:56 PM
Attachments: [image002.png](#)

Hi, Christy! Yes, I am the Regulatory Reform Officer at USDA and we recently began in earnest our internal reform efforts with plans to begin USDA specific solicitations of stakeholder and external comments on recommended reforms very soon. Your mid-June time frame will be perfect timing. More details to follow on the public process for "listening" and receiving public input soon to follow.

Thanks for the outreach and we look forward to seeing those recommendations!

Kindly,



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From: Christy Seyfert [mailto:(b) (6)@rcis.com]
Sent: Wednesday, May 31, 2017 10:55 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: regulatory reform

Rebeckah,

In April, Ray Starling spoke to a group of crop insurers, including the head of our crop insurance business, welcoming ideas for regulatory improvements particularly in doing business with the federal government. Since crop insurance is a public-private partnership, this was wonderful news, and we immediately started working internally to develop ideas for consideration. We are in the process of finalizing this document now.

When you first came on board with USDA, you mentioned that you are the primary contact on the regulatory reform initiative, so I wanted to check in to see if that is still the case. We hope to be in a position to share these ideas with you or the most appropriate designee by mid-June.

Thanks for any guidance and hope you are doing well!

CHRISTY SEYFERT
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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Christy Seyfert](#)
Subject: RE: regulatory reform initiative
Date: Monday, July 17, 2017 2:42:20 PM
Attachments: [image002.png](#)

Go ahead and submit there too so that it is more easily captured on the database.



Rebeckah

Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

From: Christy Seyfert [mailto:(b) (6)@rcis.com]
Sent: Monday, July 17, 2017 2:33 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: regulatory reform initiative

Rebeckah,

Given the regulatory reform notice in today's Federal Register, do we need to resubmit our comments electronically through regulations.gov? Or is our submission to you a month ago sufficient?

Thanks for any guidance and hope you are doing well.



CHRISTY SEYFERT

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: (b) (6) [@aol.com](#)
Subject: RE: Request for name of contact person
Date: Monday, May 22, 2017 1:31:55 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

...Since the beginning of time, the weather still determines your fate.
 Happy to help and hoping the rain and shine are good to you!

Rebeckah

From: (b) (6) [@aol.com](#) [mailto:(b) (6) [@aol.com](#)]
Sent: Monday, May 22, 2017 1:19 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC <Kristi.Boswell@osec.usda.gov>; Brusky, Nicholas - FAS <nicholas.brusky@fas.usda.gov>; Shuford, Campbell - OSEC, Washington, DC <Campbell.Shuford@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re: Request for name of contact person

Thanks, that was fast. Look forward to hearing from him.

Actually, we're kind of hoping it keeps raining - we just got the corn in! Ah, farming, where you put \$100's of thousands of dollars in the ground and then pray for rain and then pray for it to stop raining, and then to rain, and.....

John

-----Original Message-----

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC, Washington, DC
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To: zirschky (b) (6) [@aol.com](#)>
Cc: Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC, Washington, DC <Kristi.Boswell@osec.usda.gov>; Brusky, Nicholas - FAS <nicholas.brusky@fas.usda.gov>
Sent: Mon, May 22, 2017 1:06 pm
Subject: RE: Request for name of contact person

John and Natalie:

Thank you for your email to Kristi and me. The Secretary is indeed excited about USDA's renewed focus on ag trade opportunities and for your outreach.

On this email, Nick Brusky (FAS), is copied for follow up with you re your support and input.

Stay dry this week!

Kindly,



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From: (b) (6) @aol.com [mailto:(b) (6) @aol.com]

Sent: Monday, May 22, 2017 10:45 AM

To: Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC <Kristi.Boswell@osec.usda.gov>; Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>

Subject: Request for name of contact person

Good morning,

I am seeking the email address or other contact information for a contact person in the Secretary's office or FAS to offer a potential means to support the Secretary's new reorganization regarding an Undersecretary for Foreign Trade. (b) (6)

(b) (6) We are not lobbyists, etc. but farmers. Many DC folks, including Members and staff, use our farm for various purposes. We think we can be helpful in supporting the reorganization, and would like to propose an idea.

John Zirschky/Natalie Ziegler

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Constance Cullman](#)
Subject: Re: Research Issues
Date: Wednesday, August 9, 2017 1:21:08 PM

You must have sent other as I was replying to first. iPhone 'email' chains are not intuitive to me, be warned I just hit reply when I have an answer.

Best to use personal if you want to be private!

But I'm not worried, my colleagues all know I have friends.

Rebeckah Adcock

Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Aug 9, 2017, at 11:13 AM, Constance Cullman (b) (6) [@farmfoundation.org](#)> wrote:

And you forwarded the one with my personal note – lol!!!!

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
[\[mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov\]](mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov)
Sent: Wednesday, August 09, 2017 10:12 AM
To: Constance Cullman
Cc: Bachmann, Peter - OCR, Washington, DC; Young, Joby - OSEC, Washington, DC; Hazlett, Anne - OSEC, Washington, DC; Miller, Jannine - OSEC, Washington, DC; Page, Tim A. - OSEC, Washington, DC; Gilson, Joseph - OSEC, Washington, DC; Johansson, Robert - OCE; Klippenstein, Brian - OSEC, Washington, DC
Subject: Re: Research Issues

Yes, thank you!

CC'ing our Farm Bill team and RD as well.

Thank you Farm Foundation for your voice and balance.

Rebeckah Adcock

Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Aug 9, 2017, at 10:45 AM, Constance Cullman (b) (6) [@farmfoundation.org](#)> wrote:

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From: Constance Cullman
Sent: Wednesday, August 09, 2017 9:40 AM
To: Rebeckah Adcock -
Subject: Research Issues

Dear Rebeckah

Last week at the American Ag Economics Association, Thirteen agricultural economists put together short papers describing issues that will surface during the writing of the next farm bill. For each issue, the author describes the "policy setting" and details "farm bill issues" that likely will arise during negotiations. Each issue then has a "what to watch for" summary. These papers, along with an overview, are presented in the article, *Assessing the Pulse of the Next Farm Bill Debate*.
<http://farmdocdaily.illinois.edu/2017/07/assessing-the-pulse.html>.

Farm Foundation was asked to contribute to this article. I put together the paper on the Research and Extension title (found at the link and attached).

I thought it might be of interest to USDA (and particularly Sam Clovis) given the focus on a paradigm shift in how research is funded (in addition to a need for increased funds).

Hope all is well and the RV tour was a success!

Best,

Constance

PS: I would also like to connect with you also on rural and ag infrastructure issues – I understand you have expressed some interest in that area. We too are VERY interested in the topic and it is one of our priorities. I will be in DC September 18-22 – would love to visit.

Constance Cullman

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Caroline Rydell](#)
Subject: Reset 2.0 Lunch?!
Date: Friday, June 16, 2017 7:01:04 AM

Woke up to conference calls being placed on my calendar that I have to lead that only leave me a 30 min window for lunch today. It's my own fault for putting our lunch in my head but not on the calendar.

Forgive me and can we reset for next week?

Rebeckah Adcock
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On Jun 9, 2017, at 5:10 PM, Caroline Rydell [\(b\) \(6\) @gmail.com](#) wrote:

That works!

Caroline A. Rydell
Farm Credit Bank of Texas
(b) (6) cell

On Jun 9, 2017, at 4:45 PM, Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
 <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

Change that – I got usurped – how about next Friday?

From: Caroline Rydell [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\) @gmail.com](#)]
Sent: Friday, June 9, 2017 9:41 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
 <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re: Lunch?!

Perfect! I'll just come over at 12 if works for you.

Caroline A. Rydell
Farm Credit Bank of Texas
(b) (6) cell

On Jun 8, 2017, at 3:18 PM, Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

Yes, how about next tues June 13th??

From: Rebeckah Freeman [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\) @yahoo.com](#)]
Sent: Thursday, June 8, 2017 3:11 PM

To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
<Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Fw: Lunch?!

Rebeckah (Freeman) Adcock

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From: Caroline Rydell <(b) (6)@gmail.com>
To: "(b) (6)@yahoo.com" (b) (6)@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 8, 2017, 2:27:13 PM EDT
Subject: Lunch?!

How's it going? Can I come over for lunch one day? Want to catch up (maybe get rain coat) but need counsel on who we could meet with at USDA on Wed., July 26 in am. I'll have about 35 Young Leader (borrowers) in town.

Thanks much-hope all's well.

Caroline

Caroline A. Rydell
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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [\(b\) \(6\) @yahoo.com](#)
Subject: Robert - OSEC Washington DC Placek
Date: Thursday, August 3, 2017 6:18:40 AM
Attachments: [Robert - OSEC Washington DC Placek.vcf](#)
[ATT00001.txt](#)

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Larew Robert - FASContact](#)
Cc: [Hudson, Bethany - OSEC, Washington DC](#); [Green, Heidi - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Hazlett, Anne - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Roger Johnson, NFU, to meet with Secretary Perdue, Wed, July 5 @ 2:30 pm
Date: Monday, July 3, 2017 5:50:30 PM

Rob:

After speaking with the Secretary this afternoon upon his return from China, he is happy to meet with Roger this week in advance of the NFU Board meeting.

This email is confirming Roger Johnson's meeting with Sec Perdue this Wed, July 5 at 2:30 pm at USDA Whitten Bldg, Room 200A.

Bethany, as discussed, this is a personal meeting of introduction for the Secretary to Mr. Johnson, President of the National Farmers Union - please officially add to his calendar.

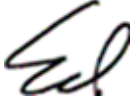
Happy Independence Day y'all!

Rebeckah

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Also, you were going to give Ranveer (copied) the contact information for a professor at Ohio State who is doing good work in the agriculture/precision farming area, so that we can compare notes.

Thanks again, and we'll be back in touch to report on our followup conversations.



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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [James McVane](#)
Subject: Scheduling
Date: Thursday, May 4, 2017 12:54:45 PM
Attachments: [image003.png](#)

Jim –

Meeting requests to the Secretary should be sent to Director of Scheduling, Lauren Sullivan, Lauren.Sullivan@osec.usda.gov.



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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Danielle Quist](#)
Subject: Re: Scheduling a call
Date: Tuesday, September 19, 2017 9:49:05 AM

Yes, will be late but send me mobile to be sure I get you if not in office

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Sep 19, 2017, at 9:39 AM, Danielle Quist <(b) (6)@fb.org> wrote:

Good morning Rebeckah. I have an issue I would like to discuss with you. Would it be possible to schedule a short call?

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Heather Soubra](#); [Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Cc: [Dykes Michael - FASContact](#)
Subject: RE: School Milk Implementation Planning
Date: Friday, May 19, 2017 2:18:41 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Kristi is out of the country until after the holiday with limited cell service, so may I suggest that we plan on meeting the week of June 5 to give her a chance to see and select from the choices that best suit her calendar (I will work with her to coordinate)?

Reb

From: Heather Soubra [mailto:(b) (6)@idfa.org]
Sent: Friday, May 19, 2017 1:38 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>; Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC <Kristi.Boswell@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Dykes Michael - FASContact (b) (6)@idfa.org>
Subject: RE: School Milk Implementation Planning

Good afternoon Rebeckah and Kristi,

I am happy to work with you to set up a time for an initial call with Michael and another call with our members and members of the USDA team to bring them up to speed on the process.

I have listed some possible times below. Would you please let me know of your availability for an initial call with Michael and also of your availability for a call with Michael, our members, and members of the USDA team?

Thank you very much for your help getting this set up. Please let me know if you need anything else from me.

Have a wonderful weekend and I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Best,
 Heather Soubra on behalf of Michael Dykes

Availability for the following meetings/calls:

Call or Meeting #1: Initial call/meeting with Michael Dykes
Call #2: Call with Michael Dykes, our members, and members of the USDA team

Tuesday, May 30
 Available anytime by phone

Wednesday, May 31

Available anytime by phone

Thursday, June 1

Available anytime by phone

Friday, June 2

Available anytime by phone

Monday, June 5

9:00 a.m. until Noon

Tuesday, June 6

2:00 p.m.

Wednesday, June 7

4:00 p.m.

Thursday, June 8

10:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

3:00 p.m.

4:00 p.m.

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From: Michael Dykes

Sent: Friday, May 19, 2017 10:53 AM

To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>

Cc: Heather Soubra <(b) (6) [@idfa.org](mailto:(b)(6)@idfa.org)>; Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC
<Kristi.Boswell@osec.usda.gov>

Subject: RE: School Milk Implementation Planning

Rebeckah,

Thanks for your note. I look forward to working with you and others at USDA to get these new school milk changes implemented. My members are excited and have lots of questions as to how to bid, when to bid, what are the requirements, how to facilitate the exemptions with local schools, and others.

I am meeting with Heidi Green on June 9 so meeting with you and Kristi and others before June 9 would be awesome. I also want to schedule a call with my members and the USDA team to bring them up to speed on the process. Heather will work with you to get meetings scheduled. I will be out of the office next week as well.

Pleased to have you at USDA! Congratulations!

Michael

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC [<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>]

Sent: Friday, May 19, 2017 10:44 AM

To: Michael Dykes (b) (6) <[@idfa.org](mailto:(b)(6)@idfa.org)>

Cc: Heather Soubra <(b) (6) <[@idfa.org](mailto:(b)(6)@idfa.org)>>; Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC <Kristi.Boswell@osec.usda.gov>

Subject: RE: School Milk Implementation Planning

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Sent: Thursday, May 18, 2017 10:21 PM
To: Green, Heidi - OSEC, Washington, DC <Heidi.Green@osec.usda.gov>; Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
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Michael, Rebeckah is working on the implementation so I am connecting you.

Thank you,
 Heidi

Sent from my iPhone

On May 18, 2017, at 2:25 PM, Michael Dykes <[mailto:\(b\) \(6\)@idfa.org](mailto:(b) (6)@idfa.org)> wrote:

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MICHAEL DYKES, D.V.M.

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To: [Sarah Cook](#)
Cc: [Page, Tim A. - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Miller, Jannine - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: RE: Sec. Perdue event in Tifton
Date: Wednesday, August 2, 2017 1:45:11 PM
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Sarah –

Our focus is on rural economic development partnerships and opportunities – lessons learned on where hopefully governments and private sector (or fed and state/local governments) are interacting to improve the economic opportunities in rural and ag communities.

Aim is to fill the “listening table” for certain roundtable invited participants (so whatever that number is for your capacity: Tim will get you a number for what has worked in the allotted time to date), then ask others to join the audience as observers to fill the remaining space.

Thank you for your help in putting this event together – we are excited to get to Tifton!

Kindly,



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From: Sarah Cook [mailto:(b) (6)@georgia.org]
Sent: Wednesday, August 2, 2017 12:04 PM
Cc: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>; Page, Tim A. - OSEC, Washington, DC <Tim.Page@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re: Sec. Perdue event in Tifton

Rebeckah and Tim,

How big of a list would you like from our center at this time? Is the goal to have a total 15-20 *attendees* or *invitees*? I am sure an invitation with the Secretary would be a hard one to turn down but I know not everyone will be able to make it.

Are there any key areas you would like us to focus on in particular?

Sarah

  	<p>Sarah Cook Project Manager Center of Innovation for Agribusiness Food Processing Agritourism Georgia Grown 2360 Rainwater Road Tifton, Georgia 31793 USA 229-454-0612</p>
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From: Jannine Miller <Jannine.Miller@osec.usda.gov>

Date: Thursday, July 27, 2017 at 12:15 PM

To: Sarah Cook <(b) (6) @georgia.org>

Cc: Rebeckah Adcock <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>, Tim Page <Tim.Page@osec.usda.gov>, "Gilson, Joseph - OSEC, Washington, DC" <Joseph.Gilson@osec.usda.gov>, David Nuckolls (b) (6) @georgia.org, Steve Justice (b) (6) @georgia.org, Jane Jordan (b) (6) @georgia.org

Subject: Sec. Perdue event in Tifton

Hi Sarah,

Great to talk with you today! Thanks for helping the USDA team with hosting activities for Secretary Perdue's upcoming visit to Tifton, tentatively scheduled for Aug 25.

Couple things:

1. Keep the info about his visit "close to the vest" as much as possible until you get other direction from Rebeckah and Tim about when/how to send invitations.
2. Action steps for now are to help Rebeckah and Tim identify the right attendees (approx. 15-20 total) and location.
3. Here's info on the Ag and Rural Prosperity Task Force, for which the visit will be oriented around: <https://www.usda.gov/media/press-releases/2017/06/15/secretary-perdue-hosts-inaugural-rural-prosperity-task-force>

So, I'll turn it over to Rebeckah and Tim (Office: (b) (6) Cell: (b) (6)) from here, but let me know if I can assist in any way!

Thanks!
Jannine

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To: [Rhedona Rose](#)
Cc: [Stefan Maupin](#)
Bcc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Re: Secretary Perdue Speaking Request-December 4
Date: Sunday, November 5, 2017 11:08:13 AM

Thank you!

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Nov 4, 2017, at 1:42 PM, Rhedona Rose (b) (6) @tbf.com> wrote:

Rebeckah,

Thanks again for your help on our speaking request for Secretary Perdue.

Below are the farmer names we discussed. All are good producers and well respected.

Thanks,
Rhedona

West

Charlotte Kelly, Tipton County - cotton farmer

Middle West

Daryl Brown, Maury County - row crop and cattle

Middle

Steve Officer, Dekalb County - livestock (retired extension leader, minority farmer)

Middle East

Jerry Blankenship, Warren County - nursery operation

East

Renea Rogers, Unicoi County - Tomato farmer

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From: Rhedona Rose (b) (6) @tbf.com>
Date: October 31, 2017 at 1:54:06 PM CDT
To: "Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC"
 <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: Secretary Perdue Speaking Request-December 4

Rebeckah,

Thank you for helping on speaking request for Secretary Perdue. I really appreciate your help.

We have all put our "thinking caps" on in regards to a back-up for Secretary Perdue.

We have not yet heard from Lauren. Is it possible she is still trying to make a Tennessee trip work or is it more of a reflection of too much to do in too little time?

Thanks,

Rhedona

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
 [<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>]
Sent: Friday, October 20, 2017 3:25 PM
To: Rhedona Rose (b) (6) @tbf.com>
Cc: Christina Kennedy <(b) (6) @tbf.com>
Subject: RE: Secretary Perdue Speaking Request-December 4

Rhedona – thanks for all the help and support in Knoxville! Other than making me stay until the end of the game and watching replay at dinner, the Secretary was a good sport!

I walked this to his scheduler - and for now the Secretary has a tentative trip booked that week, but life changes quickly here, so....

Lauren will be sending you that same message, too. Trying to get you an answer so you can properly fill your agenda – it's unlikely he will be able to be in TN on Dec 4th.

Reb

From: Rhedona Rose [[\(b\) @tbf.com](mailto:(b) @tbf.com)]
Sent: Friday, October 20, 2017 3:39 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC

<Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>

Cc: Christina Kennedy (b) (6) @tfbf.com>

Subject: FW: Secretary Perdue Speaking Request-December 4

Rebeckah,

Happy Friday to you lady. I hope your schedule is slowing down a bit and that you are going to get to spend some time with your family this weekend. It was good to see you in Knoxville for the Georgia game. I hope the Secretary did not give you too hard of a time about the ballgame.

I believe we discussed this very briefly in the whirlwind visit, but we have invited Secretary Perdue to speak at our TFBF Annual meeting on Monday morning, December 4, 2017 at the Cool Springs Marriott in Franklin, Tennessee. Our previous correspondence is included below.

If you can help in any way to encourage the Secretary to accept the invitation we would very much appreciate it. We know and can understand that he has a very busy schedule. This is a key time spot in our convention. If he is not able to join us it would be very helpful to know as soon as possible so we can secure a back-up speaker.

Any guidance or help you could provide would be much appreciated.

Thanks,

Rhedona

From: Christina Kennedy

Sent: Friday, October 20, 2017 8:55 AM

To: Rhedona Rose (b) (6) @tfbf.com>

Subject: FW: Speaking Request-December 4

From: Sullivan, Lauren - OSEC, Washington, DC
[<mailto:Lauren.Sullivan@osec.usda.gov>]

Sent: Friday, October 13, 2017 10:39 AM

To: Christina Kennedy <(b) (6) @tfbf.com>

Cc: Rhedona Rose (b) (6) @tfbf.com>

Subject: RE: Speaking Request-December 4

Hi there,

I do not yet know if his schedule will allow him to attend. I will be back in

touch as soon as I know more,

Thank you for your patience.

Lauren

From: Christina Kennedy [mailto:(b) (6)@tfbf.com]

Sent: Friday, October 13, 2017 9:41 AM

To: Sullivan, Lauren - OSEC, Washington, DC

<Lauren.Sullivan@osec.usda.gov>

Cc: Rhedona Rose (b) (6)@tfbf.com>

Subject: RE: Speaking Request-December 4

Good Morning, Lauren. I hope you are having a good day.

I am following up to see if you know yet if Secretary Perdue will be able to address the attendees of the Tennessee Farm Bureau Annual Meeting on Monday morning, December 4, 2017 at the Cool Springs Marriott in Franklin, Tennessee.

I look forward to working with you.

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Christina Kennedy

Administrative Associate to President Jeff Aiken

and Executive Vice President Rhedona Rose

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From: Sullivan, Lauren - OSEC, Washington, DC

[mailto:Lauren.Sullivan@osec.usda.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, August 23, 2017 10:29 AM

To: Tennessee Farm Bureau <tnfarmbureau@tfbf.com>

Cc: Rhedona Rose (b) (6)@tfbf.com>; Christina Kennedy

<(b) (6)@tfbf.com>

Subject: RE: Speaking Request-December 4

Good Morning,

Thank you very much for this invitation. I have noted it. Please be aware that we typically begin to consider events for the calendar about 6 weeks out, so as soon as I have a better idea of the Secretary's schedule in

December, I will reach back out.

Thank you for your patience!

Best,
Lauren

From: Tennessee Farm Bureau [<mailto:tnfarmbureau@tfbf.com>]

Sent: Wednesday, August 23, 2017 10:35 AM

To: Sullivan, Lauren - OSEC, Washington, DC

<Lauren.Sullivan@osec.usda.gov>

Cc: Rhedona Rose (b) (6) [@tfbf.com](mailto:(b)(6)@tfbf.com); Christina Kennedy

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Subject: Speaking Request-December 4

Good morning Secretary Perdue. I hope all is well with you. Based on media reports, it sounds as if you are quite busy.

As a follow-up to our conversation during your Tennessee visit this summer, I would like to again extend an invitation for you to be the keynote speaker at our 2017 Tennessee Farm Bureau Annual Meeting on Monday morning, December 4, 2017 at the Cool Springs Marriott in Franklin, Tennessee.

We have a 7:45 a.m. session and a 9:15 a.m. session. We would prefer to have you kick-off the day at the earlier time slot but if the later time fits your schedule better we can make that work, too.

We typically have 1,200 Tennessee Farm Bureau members attend the convention. They are interested in the status of the administrative efforts regarding regulatory reform as well as the latest developments of the 2018 farm bill. Trade and immigration issues are also of interest.

We really hope this is an event that will fit your schedule and I look forward to your response. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

Jeff Aiken
TFBF President

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Cc: [Klippenstein, Brian - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Chip Murray](#)
Bcc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Re: Secretary Perdue to Host Regulatory Reform Listening Session
Date: Friday, September 29, 2017 6:35:26 PM

Yes, you should have been on list but will correct. Plan to be here at 2pm on Monday.

Bethany- please send an invite to Dave Tenny at the National Alliance of Forest Owners when you are able.

Rebeckah Adcock
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On Sep 29, 2017, at 5:27 PM, Dave Tenny <(b) (6) @nafoalliance.org> wrote:

Hi, Brian and Rebeckah – we didn't receive an invitation to participate in this. Was that an oversight? Thanks.

Dave

From: Rollins, Blake - OSEC, Washington, DC [<mailto:Blake.Rollins@osec.usda.gov>]
Sent: Friday, September 29, 2017 5:17 PM
Cc: Bridgforth, Turner - OSEC, Washington, DC
Subject: Secretary Perdue to Host Regulatory Reform Listening Session

Secretary Perdue to Host Regulatory Reform Listening Session

(Washington, D.C., September 29, 2017) – U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue will host a regulatory reform listening session on Monday, October 2nd to receive input on the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA's) regulatory reform efforts following President Donald J. Trump's [Executive Order on Reducing Regulation and Controlling Regulatory Costs](#). Secretary Perdue will participate in a discussion with stakeholders and members of the public regarding the ways effective regulatory reform can be accelerated within USDA.

This event will be held in conjunction with similar events held at all other agencies to showcase the Administration's strategy for regulatory reform and significantly increase the pace of reform across the federal government. While space is limited, members of the public are encouraged to watch the listening session live on Facebook by clicking [HERE](#) just prior to the start time.

Monday, October 2nd

What: Secretary Perdue will host a regulatory listening session to discuss USDA's regulatory reform efforts.

Where: USDA Whitten Building, Williamsburg Room, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, D.C. 20250

When: Monday October 2nd 2:00 p.m. ET

Background:

Pursuant to [Executive Order 13777](#)—Enforcing the Regulatory Reform Agenda, the USDA is requesting ideas from the public on how we can provide better customer service and remove unintended barriers to participation in our programs in ways that least interfere with our customers and allow us to accomplish our mission. To do this, we have specifically asked and continue to ask for public ideas on regulations, guidance documents, or any other policy documents that are in need of reform, for example ideas to modify, streamline, expand, or repeal those items.

The USDA is well on its way identifying ways we can provide better customer service for the American people with hundreds of potential reforms and improvements already internally identified. As our work continues, it is important that we hear from a wide range of opinions in order to make our final reforms the best deal for the farmers, ranchers, foresters, producers, and consumers we serve. We ask that you please use the information below to submit your comments for review as we continue to alleviate unnecessary regulatory and administrative burdens placed on the American people.

How to Comment

USDA will review comments in four batches over a one-year period. While the cut-off period for comments to be reviewed as part of the first batch has passed, the cut-off period for comments to be reviewed as part of the second batch is November 14, 2017. The cut-off periods for the third and fourth batches are February 12, 2018, and July 17, 2018, respectively.

USDA will keep the public apprised of the status of its review and plans to repeal, replace, or modify existing regulations. The Department will issue a detailed update as part of the 2017 fall regulatory agenda and statement of regulatory priorities. Additionally, the public is encouraged to visit <https://www.usda.gov/> for the latest information about the Department's regulatory reform efforts.

We invite you to submit comments on this notice. For proper delivery, in your comment, specify “Identifying Regulatory Reform Initiatives.”

- *Electronic Submission of Comments.* You may submit comments electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. USDA strongly encourages commenters to submit comments electronically. Electronic submission of comments allows you maximum time to prepare and submit a comment, and ensures timely receipt by USDA. Follow the instructions provided on that site to submit comments electronically.
- *Submission of Comments by Mail, Hand delivery, or Courier.* Paper, disk, or CD-ROM submissions should be submitted to regulations@obpa.usda.gov, Office of Budget and Program Analysis, USDA, Jamie L. Whitten Building, Room 101-A, 1400 Independence Ave. SW., Washington, DC 20250.

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 To: [Steve Censky-FASContact](#)
 Bcc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
 Subject: Re: Senate Agriculture Committee Sends USDA Nominees Censky, McKinney to Full Senate
 Date: Monday, October 2, 2017 6:36:41 PM

Rebeckah Adcock
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On Oct 2, 2017, at 5:57 PM, Censky, Steve (b) (6) @soy.org wrote:

Hooah!

From: Cullo, Diane - OSEC, Washington, DC [<mailto:Diane.Cullo@osec.usda.gov>]
Sent: Monday, October 2, 2017 4:54 PM
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Subject: FW: Senate Agriculture Committee Sends USDA Nominees Censky, McKinney to Full Senate

From: Meghan Cline [mailto:meghan_cline@ag.senate.gov]
Sent: Monday, October 2, 2017 5:53 PM
To: Cullo, Diane - OSEC, Washington, DC <Diane.Cullo@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Senate Agriculture Committee Sends USDA Nominees Censky, McKinney to Full Senate



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Oct. 2, 2017

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Senate Agriculture Committee Sends USDA Nominees Censky, McKinney to Full Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. – U.S. Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry Chairman Pat Roberts, R-Kan., and Ranking Member Debbie Stabenow, D-Mich., today announced the Committee voted to favorably report nominees Stephen Censky, of Missouri, to be Deputy Secretary of Agriculture; and Ted McKinney, of Indiana, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Trade and Foreign Agricultural Affairs within the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). Both Censky and McKinney may now be considered by the full U.S. Senate for confirmation.

“With today’s vote, the Senate Agriculture Committee continues to do our part to vet and swiftly advance USDA nominees,” Roberts and Stabenow said. **“We will continue to work together to get Secretary Perdue a qualified, functioning team at USDA. Our farmers and ranchers are counting on us.”**

The Committee held a [hearing](#) on the nominees on Sept. 19.

Censky and McKinney have bipartisan support in the Senate, as well as support from a broad variety of agriculture organizations.

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To: [Paul Poister](#)
Cc: [Sullivan, Lauren - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Trollinger, Shelia - OSEC](#); [Page, Tim A. - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: RE: Sept. 18
Date: Tuesday, August 22, 2017 6:42:20 PM
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Thanks for the email, Paul. Unfortunately, the Secretary will be in on official travel that week.

Can we offer others to meet with you? Please specify the issues you would like to cover and I'm certain we can find senior folks here to meet with your group.

Kindly,



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From: Paul Poister [mailto:(b) (6)@agrium.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 22, 2017 6:32 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Sept. 18

Rebeckah:

I hope you were able to get a well-deserved break over the summer.

The CEO and several senior executives of Agrium will be in Washington Sept. 18 – 19 for the TFI World Congress meeting. I would like to check if Secretary Perdue will be in Washington potentially for a short meeting on Monday, Sept. 18.

Thank you for your help and I hope to connect in person soon.

Best regards,
 Paul

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To: [Maureen Moseman](#)
Bcc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Re: Session description for Adcock - AALA
Date: Friday, September 22, 2017 10:18:57 PM

Not a problem. Soon I start signing off with this anyway ...
 Reb

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Sep 22, 2017, at 7:33 PM, Maureen Moseman <(b) (6)@aglaw-assn.org> wrote:

Thank you for your feedback and apologies for misspelling your name as well.
 Maureen

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From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Sent: Friday, September 22, 2017 4:51:23 PM
To: Maureen Moseman; Jennie Zwagerman; Schneider, Justin
Subject: RE: Session description for Adcock - AALA

Thank you, Maureen. That works for me.

Rebeckah

From: Maureen Moseman [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\)@aglaw-assn.org](mailto:(b) (6)@aglaw-assn.org)]
Sent: Friday, September 22, 2017 2:55 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>;
 Jennie Zwagerman <(b) (6)@drake.edu>; Schneider, Justin
 (b) (6)@infarmbureau.org>
Subject: Session description for Adcock - AALA

Dear Rebecca,
 Thanks for your time on the phone this afternoon – we are looking forward to your talk.
 Here's the version I drafted based on our conversation. All comments welcome.
 Thanks for sending your bio and head shot as soon as your communications folks
 complete them.

Federal Initiatives to Benefit Agriculture and Rural Prosperity

Speaker: *Rebeckah Adcock, Special Advisor to the Secretary, United States Department of Agriculture (confirmed)*

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [James McVaney](#)
Subject: RE: Settled in yet?
Date: Thursday, May 4, 2017 9:23:34 AM

I am the designated Regulatory Reform Officer (per all the POTUS EO's) in addition to a few other issues here and there. In an agency built on a century of regulations, it's a daunting task – but lots of room for making tangible improvements. To some extent, we are all 'jacks of all trades'.

I will send you the scheduler's information in separate email.

Reb

From: James McVaney [mailto:(b) (6)@bayer.com]
Sent: Thursday, May 4, 2017 9:17 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: Settled in yet?

I have a lot of faith in the Gov, you and the team that is being built over there. Have you been able to define your issues portfolio yet, or is that an evolving process?

Also, we are scoping out dates for our CEO in Germany to meet with Sec. Perdue. Who should I talk to about scheduling?

Jim

Jim McVaney
 Senior Director, Federal Affairs & Policy

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From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC [<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, May 04, 2017 9:00 AM
To: James McVaney
Subject: RE: Settled in yet?

If you mean do I have a desk, phone and computer – yes. If you mean have we worked out how to improve make 90K people better serve their constituencies, we will need a few more weeks (and my “weeks,” I mean a lot longer than that). But, we are full speed ahead in the effort. Great, good minded team here. It’s an honor.

Reb

From: James McVaney [mailto:(b) (6)@bayer.com]
Sent: Wednesday, May 3, 2017 4:31 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Settled in yet?

Have you figured it all out yet?

Sorry I didn't have the chance to congratulate you on the move. What a great opportunity.

Best of luck and most certainly we will be in touch.

Jim

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Mike Seyfert](#)
Subject: Re: Surviving the first day??
Date: Monday, April 24, 2017 9:35:04 PM

Sent from my iPhone

> On Apr 24, 2017, at 7:15 PM, Mike Seyfert (b) (6) @fmc.com> wrote:
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To: [Andrew Walmsley](#); [Klippenstein, Brian - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Hudson, Bethany - OSEC, Washington DC](#)
Subject: RE: Taskforce and Innovation
Date: Tuesday, September 26, 2017 2:04:10 PM

Andrew – Brian Klippenstein is managing and refining the work of that interagency workgroup – “innovation, technology and data” - within the Task Force effort, and Bethany Hudson is supporting him in that effort.

They would best be able to guide you and receive your thoughts on that part of the work of the Task Force. I have cc'd them here to connect with you.

Kindly,
 Reb

From: Andrew Walmsley [mailto:(b) (6)@fb.org]
Sent: Tuesday, September 26, 2017 1:58 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Taskforce and Innovation

Rebeckah,

I hope you are well. I was wondering if you might have some time for a brief chat with a few of us that work on innovation in ag about the interagency taskforce, future engagement and possibly a forum to provide an update on some of the department's work.

Let me know if you would like to chat so I can give you a better idea of what we are thinking or if you have some time in the near future for us to come visit.

Thank you,

Andrew

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Constance Cullman](#)
Subject: Re: Thank you
Date: Thursday, September 14, 2017 11:46:52 AM

I'm glad to hear it but cannot confirm USDA was much help. My connections were skeptical that state would care if we engaged -in the off chance that our inquiry did help move things along, that is good news.

Rebeckah Adcock
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On Sep 14, 2017, at 11:32 AM, Constance Cullman (b) (6) [@farmfoundation.org](mailto: @farmfoundation.org) wrote:

Hi Reba-

I heard that things got resolved for the German scientist trying to get here for ag visits.
 Thank you so much for your help!!!

Best,
 Constance

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: Dave Tenny [\(b\) \(6\) @nafoalliance.org](#)
Cc: [Klippenstein, Brian - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Jane Alonso](#)
Subject: Re: Thank you and follow up on Working Forest Caucuses
Date: Wednesday, June 14, 2017 1:40:42 PM

Thanks, all. We will follow up soon.

Rebeckah Adcock
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On Jun 14, 2017, at 1:35 PM, Dave Tenny [\(b\) \(6\) @nafoalliance.org](#)> wrote:

Thanks. I will hand the baton off to Jane to connect you with the Westerman and Risch offices.

Dave

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
[\[mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov\]](mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov)
Sent: Monday, June 12, 2017 5:51 PM
To: Dave Tenny; Klippenstein, Brian - OSEC, Washington, DC
Cc: Jane Alonso
Subject: RE: Thank you and follow up on Working Forest Caucuses

Thanks, Dave. Adding Brian Klippenstein here to loop him in on this outreach.

Rebeckah

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From: Dave Tenny [\[mailto:\(b\) \(6\) @nafoalliance.org\]](mailto:(b) (6) @nafoalliance.org)
Sent: Monday, June 12, 2017 5:43 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Jane Alonso [\(b\) \(6\) @nafoalliance.org](#)>
Subject: Thank you and follow up on Working Forest Caucuses

Hi, Rebeckah – thanks again for the great meeting we had with Secretary Perdue this morning. We all felt we started off on the right foot and look forward to working with the Secretary, you and Brian.

Although we only talked about the House Working Forests Caucus there is, in fact, both a House and a Senate Working Forests Caucus. The House caucus is led by Bruce Westerman and Colin Peterson and has 69 members (55 R's and 14 D's). The Senate

caucus is led by Jim Risch and Angus King and has 15 members (8 R's and 7 D's). Both caucuses are still adding members.

I think both caucuses would be interested in engaging the Secretary. Jane Alonso, our VP for Government Relations (copied here) can connect you to the right person in Westerman's office. Would you also like us to connect you with Risch's office?

Thanks again.

Dave

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To: [Yvonne Lesicko](#)
Subject: RE: Thank you for the help!
Date: Friday, May 5, 2017 4:43:46 PM
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Thank you for the help!



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From: Yvonne Lesicko [mailto:(b) (6)@ofbf.org]
Sent: Friday, May 5, 2017 3:47 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Thank you for the help!

Hi Rebeckah - Adam just informed me of the possibility of a Secretary Perdue visit to Ohio! We appreciate the opportunity to have some farmers at the event - as you know, trade is a critical issue for our members so we're glad to hear his message.

I will be coordinating logistics form the Farm Bureau side so please let me know the details when they are available and how all we can be of assistance.

Congratulations on the new role! Yvonne

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Subject: Fwd: Thank you for the help!
To: Yvonne Lesicko (b) (6)@ofbf.org>

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Stefan Maupin](#)
Subject: Thank you for your help!
Date: Tuesday, September 12, 2017 5:11:49 PM

Amend that call info with need for 6 people to attend the event if that is workable?

Rebeckah Adcock
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On Aug 28, 2017, at 10:07 AM, Stefan Maupin <(b) (6) @tbf.com> wrote:

Rebeckah,

I hope everything is well with you. I put in a call to your office but they indicated you were out of the office today. I know you are extremely busy but if you could give me a call when you return I would appreciate it. I promise it will be brief. You can call my cell at (b) (6).

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To: [Stoneman, Wilmer](#)
Bcc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Re: Thank you!
Date: Thursday, November 2, 2017 7:36:13 PM
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Yes, but no promises they will be selected

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On Nov 2, 2017, at 6:10 PM, Stoneman, Wilmer (b) (6) <[@va.fb.com](mailto:(b) (6)@va.fb.com)> wrote:

Rebecca,

Is it okay to ask the candidates if they are willing to be nominated and serve?

I know that sounds like a dumb question but I've had admins that wanted the list first for a little preliminary vetting.

Wilmer

Wilmer Stoneman
 Virginia Farm Bureau
 (b) (6)

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From: "Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC"
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 Subject: Thank you!

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Subject: RE: Thank you!
Date: Thursday, July 20, 2017 8:23:55 PM

Good visit

From: WHITESEL, AARON J. [mailto:(b) (6)@dupont.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2017 7:34 PM
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Subject: Thank you!

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To: [Lane, Michelle \(US - Arlington\)](#)
Subject: RE: Thanks for making time yesterday
Date: Wednesday, August 30, 2017 1:21:57 PM

Yes, will ask send another email with Rob connected.

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From: Lane, Michelle (US - Arlington) [mailto:(b) (6)@deloitte.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 30, 2017 11:45 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Thanks for making time yesterday

Hi Rebeckah,

Thanks for making time for the discussion yesterday always good to see you and Tim.

I sent Brian Klippenstein a note to schedule a meeting with the study team to answer his questions and walk him through the simulation we talked about. Happy to include you, Anne Hazlett or Jannine Miller if you would like. There are some very interesting insights that would be interesting from an RD/RPTF perspective.

Also, I was wondering if we could get an intro to Rob Johansson? We are very passionate around the FPAC customer service delivery model and would welcome a conversation if you think that would be appropriate.

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Mark Scholl](#)
Subject: RE: Thanks.
Date: Thursday, June 1, 2017 1:36:36 PM

It was a good discussion. Very pleased to be a part of it.

Reb

From: Mark Scholl [(b) (6)]
Sent: Thursday, June 1, 2017 11:58 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Thanks.

Rebeckah. I wanted to apologize for not getting to talk when we were done with the meeting last week in Washington. I wanted to thank you for taking the time to do that. I thought your comments were excellent in many ways, but especially how you clearly lined out the thinking surrounding the process going forward.

I wish you success in your endeavors and look forward to talking again.

Take care.

Mark

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Josh Rolph](#)
Bcc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Re: Thu 11/2 FSMA meeting request
Date: Saturday, October 28, 2017 8:47:23 AM

Hi, Josh, thanks for your patience!

How about 10am on Thursday? If that works come to 200A Whitten bldg to ask for me.

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Oct 25, 2017, at 8:21 PM, Josh Rolph (b) (6) [@CFBF.com](mailto:JoshRolph@CFBF.com)> wrote:

Hi Rebeckah,

Talked to Kristi this afternoon and I understand you've been a little swamped. I'll be in town next Thursday and would like to meet to talk FSMA. I'll clear the schedule to meet whenever convenient before 2pm.

Thanks,

Josh

Josh Rolph
Federal Policy
California Farm Bureau
(b) (6)

From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Lindy Savelle](#)
Cc: [Page, Tim A. - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Re: Tifton Listening Session
Date: Tuesday, August 29, 2017 6:13:38 PM

Thank you!

Rebeckah Adcock
 Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

> On Aug 29, 2017, at 6:11 PM, Lindy Savelle (b) (6) wrote:
 >
 > Good afternoon, Rebeckah.
 >
 > I wanted to follow up with you regarding the listening session in Tifton, Georgia, last week. I am the lady that sat to your left that talked about citrus and bringing young folks back to rural America. I am very passionate about citrus and giving back to my roots, the community that helped form me, the person I am today. I typed some thoughts on the website link you provided us at the meeting and shared it with others as well.
 >
 > If there is anything further I can contribute, please let me know.
 >
 > Best regards,
 >
 > Lindy Savelle
 > President, Georgia Citrus Association
 > CEO & Partner, 1 DOG Ventures LLC
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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [\(b\) \(6\) @yahoo.com](#)
Subject: Tim A. - NRCS Washington DC Page
Date: Thursday, August 3, 2017 6:15:47 AM
Attachments: [Tim A. - NRCS Washington DC Page.vcf](#)
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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Anne Steckel](#)
Subject: RE: Time to chat?
Date: Tuesday, October 17, 2017 4:17:54 PM

I sent him a heads up - his email is Brian.Klippenstein@osec.usda.gov

From: Anne Steckel (b) (6)
Sent: Tuesday, October 17, 2017 2:44 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re: Time to chat?

Hey, thanks for the quick response.
 Dare I say you are lucky to not be dealing those issues...
 If you wouldn't mind connecting me with Klip I would appreciate it, I don't have his email.
 Thanks!

Also, let me know if there's a day you can meet up for lunch!

From: "Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC" <Rebeckah..Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Date: Tuesday, October 17, 2017 at 11:58 AM
To: (b) (6) Anne Steckel
Subject: FW: Time to chat?

Hi! I miss you too, lady! We must get together soon.

But, on this matter, it would much more productive for you to meet with Brian Klippenstein and Rob Johannsen on all things RFS – very much outside my current lane.

Happy to connect you?

Reb

Hey there!
 Hope all is well with you. We need a catch up session asap!
 I left NBB and am doing consulting, which has been fabulous! I'm representing Pilot truck stops on renewable fuels issues. I was wondering if you had some time to meet next Monday 23rd or Tuesday the 24th. Their head of gov affairs is coming to DC, he's great and I think could give you a different perspective on the RFS. They are heavily involved in the RFS and are the largest distributor of fuels in the country.
 For some reason your work email isn't popping up. Let me know if I should email you on a different email.

Thanks, miss you!
 Anne

Anne Steckel
 (b) (6)

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Lane, Michelle \(US - Arlington\)](#)
Subject: RE: Today
Date: Tuesday, November 14, 2017 3:53:50 PM

Could have been tougher all things considered. Thanks for the kind words.

From: Lane, Michelle (US - Arlington) [mailto:(b) (6)@deloitte.com]
Sent: Tuesday, November 14, 2017 1:53 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Today

For what it's worth, great job on the hill today. Tough crowd.

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [David Beaudreau](#)
Subject: Re: Tomorrow morning
Date: Wednesday, September 20, 2017 12:41:52 PM

So sorry, David. I am committed all morning tomorrow, so sorry if I failed to communicate that. May have time in the afternoon?

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

> On Sep 20, 2017, at 12:18 PM, David Beaudreau (b) (6) @dclrs.com> wrote:
>
> Hi Rebeckah,
>
> I wanted to follow up on my earlier email. Would you have time
> tomorrow morning, 8:30 or 9 am to meet with Rod Weinzierl, Executive
> Director of Illinois Corn Growers? We could also probably do 11:30 or
> 11:45. We can keep the meeting brief to 15-20 min.
>
> We tried to connect with Klippenstein but he might be unavailable.
>
> Thanks for considering this,
> David

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Joe Bischoff](#)
Subject: RE: Tomorrow's hearing
Date: Tuesday, May 16, 2017 2:49:48 PM

It is a curious choice given recent events and meetings. But, what do I know?

From: Joe Bischoff [mailto:(b) (6)@cgagroup.com]
Sent: Tuesday, May 16, 2017 2:48 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re: Tomorrow's hearing

Petunias don't smell but the question stinks.

From: Rebeckah Adcock <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Date: Tuesday, May 16, 2017 at 2:44 PM
To: Joe Bischoff (b) (6)@cgagroup.com>
Subject: RE: Tomorrow's hearing

Interesting choice.

I feel like I need to reference petunia's here somewhere.

From: Joe Bischoff [mailto:(b) (6)@cgagroup.com]
Sent: Tuesday, May 16, 2017 2:36 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re: Tomorrow's hearing

I know. I talked to Dow about it and they still wanted it sent. I already toned it down significantly.

From: Rebeckah Adcock <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Date: Tuesday, May 16, 2017 at 2:27 PM
To: Joe Bischoff <(b) (6)@cgagroup.com>
Subject: RE: Tomorrow's hearing

Thanks, but are you sure about that last one given the china announcement earlier this week?

From: Joe Bischoff [mailto:(b) (6)@cgagroup.com]
Sent: Tuesday, May 16, 2017 2:00 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Tomorrow's hearing

Rebeckah,

Just as an FYI, we've shared the following question – 2 versions – with the committee and Congressman Davis's office in preparation for tomorrow's hearing.

Version 1

In addition to all of the other challenges facing American farmers today, now their access to new seed technology is being limited by foreign governments with opaque regulatory systems. In some cases, these foreign governments are investing billions of dollars to buy and create competitors that could potentially threaten the independence of the American food supply. Will you commit to working to remove these artificial trade barriers and to decoupling American farmers' access to vital new technologies from foreign interests?

Version 2

The Department of Agriculture has a long tradition of supporting innovation in agricultural and advancing biotechnology, giving our farmers the latest and most advanced tools they need to continue to be the most productive in the world. Regrettably, advancements in U.S. seed technology are now being held up by the Chinese government, which has been withholding their approval of new biotechnology products, preventing those products from getting to farmers in Illinois, in the Midwest, and across the United States who are in need of these new products, especially to address weed resistance and other issues that are affecting the yields and cost of production on their farms.

Seed traits approved in the United States, but not approved in China, face serious risk and uncertainty on the global market, effectively preventing American farmers from using the latest seed technology. What actions can USDA take to make clear to China that their current approval process, or lack thereof, must change dramatically in order to provide timely, transparent and science-based approvals?

— Joe

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To: USDA@BCDTRAVEL.COM
Cc: [Gordon, Julie - OSEC](#); [Walton, Melanie - DM](#); [Jenkins, Christina - DM](#)
Subject: RE: Travel Itinerary for ADCOCK / REBECKAH F
Date: Friday, August 18, 2017 5:58:12 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Confirming this itinerary is good. Thanks!



Rebeckah

Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

From:

USDA@BCDTRAVEL.COM [mailto:USDA@BCDTRAVEL.COM]

Sent: Friday, August 18, 2017 9:07 AM

Cc: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>; Gordon, Julie - OSEC <Julie.Gordon@osec.usda.gov>; Walton, Melanie - DM <Melanie.Walton@dm.usda.gov>; Jenkins, Christina - DM <Christina.Jenkins@dm.usda.gov>

Subject: Travel Itinerary for ADCOCK / REBECKAH F

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Traveler					
ADCOCK / REBECKAH F					
Reference number by traveler: A0U9IZ					
Date	From/To	Flight/Vendor	Status	Depart/Arrive	Class/Type
08/24/2017	DCA-ATL	DL 820	Confirmed	12:25 PM/02:18 PM	Economy / Y
08/24/2017	ATL	Budget Rent A Car	Confirmed	08/24-08/25	Standard 2/4 Door
08/24/2017	TMA	(b) (6)	Confirmed	08/24-08/25	
08/25/2017	ATL-DCA	DL 2909	Confirmed	05:56 PM/07:53 PM	Economy / Y

AIR - Thursday, August 24 2017 - Agency Record Locator K2FTPC

Delta Air Lines Flight DL820 Economy	
Depart:	Ronald Reagan National, Terminal B Washington, District of Columbia, United States 12:25 PM Thursday, August 24 2017 Weather
Arrive:	Hartsfield-Jackson ATL, S - Terminal South Atlanta, Georgia, United States 02:18 PM Thursday, August 24 2017 Weather
Duration:	1 hour(s) and 53 minute(s) Non-stop
Status:	Confirmed - Delta Air Lines Record Locator: GGUIVL
Equipment:	Airbus Industrie A321
Seat:	19C (Non smoking) Confirmed
FF Number:	XXXX489114 - ADCOCK/REBECKAH F
Distance:	546 miles / 878.514 kilometers
CO2 Emissions:	240.24 lbs/109.2 kgs

CAR - Thursday, August 24 2017**Budget Rent A Car**

Pick Up: Hartsfield Jackson Intl Ap 2200 Rental Car Center Parkway
College Park 30337, GA, United States; Tel: [+1 \(404\) 530-3000](tel:+14045303000);
Fax: +1 (678) 704-4579
02:18 PM Thursday, August 24 2017

Drop Off: Hartsfield Jackson Intl Ap 2200 Rental Car Center Parkway
College Park 30337, GA, United States; Tel: [+1 \(404\) 530-3000](tel:+14045303000);
Fax: +1 (678) 704-4579
05:56 PM Friday, August 25 2017

Type: Standard Car Auto A/C
Status: Confirmed
Daily Rate: USD 55.00
Extra Day Allowance: Unlimited Miles Per Extra Day
Extra Hour Fee: USD 41.26
Extra Hour Allowance: Unlimited Free Miles Per Extra Hour
Mileage Allowance: Unlimited Free Miles
Estimated Total: USD 166.65 plus tax and any additional fees
Confirmation: 13476056US6FAST
Corp. Discount: XXXX200
Frequent Renter ID: XXXX3E
CO2 Emissions: Each gallon of unleaded gasoline consumed is 19.6 lbs/8.91 kgs and litre of petrol is 5 lbs/2.31 kgs
Special Information: ZD112119461

HOTEL - Thursday, August 24 2017

(b) (6)

Address: (b) (6)

Tel: (b) (6)

Fax: (b) (6)

Check In/Check Out: Thursday, August 24 2017 - Friday, August 25 2017
Status: Confirmed
Number of Persons: 1
Number of Rooms: 1
Number of Nights: 1
Rate per night: USD 91.00 plus tax and any additional fees
Guaranteed: Yes
Confirmation: 96922202
Frequent Guest ID: XXXX82350
CO2 Emissions: Per night is approximately 63.8 lbs/29 kgs
Remarks: CANCEL 24 HOURS PRIOR TO ARRIVAL

AIR - Friday, August 25 2017 - Agency Record Locator K2FTPC**Delta Air Lines Flight DL2909 Economy**

Depart: Hartsfield-Jackson ATL, S - Terminal South [Weather](#)
Atlanta, Georgia, United States
05:56 PM Friday, August 25 2017

Arrive: Ronald Reagan National, Terminal B [Weather](#)
Washington, District of Columbia, United States
07:53 PM Friday, August 25 2017

Duration: 1 hour(s) and 57 minute(s) Non-stop
Status: Confirmed - Delta Air Lines Record Locator: **GGUIVL**
Equipment: Airbus Industrie A321
Seat: 17C (Non smoking) Confirmed
FF Number: XXXX489114 - ADCOCK/REBECKAH F

Distance: 546 miles / 878.514 kilometers
CO2 Emissions: 240.24 lbs/109.2 kgs

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To: [\(b\) \(6\) @yahoo.com](#)
Subject: Fwd: Tweet by Ryan Quarles on Twitter
Date: Tuesday, August 15, 2017 7:30:48 PM

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From: "Rich, Michawn - OC, Washington, DC" <Michawn.Rich@oc.usda.gov>
Date: August 15, 2017 at 7:00:55 PM EDT
To: "Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC"
<Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Tweet by Ryan Quarles on Twitter

Ryan Quarles (@[RyanQuarlesKY](#))
[8/15/17, 6:59 PM](#)

Meet a Senior Advisor to [@USDA](#) [@SecretarySonny](#) ! Rebeckah Adcock is a U.K. Law graduate and has KY roots! Great meeting today!
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Date: Tuesday, August 22, 2017 9:57:26 PM



Sec. Sonny Perdue (@SecretarySonny)

8/22/17, 6:16 PM

It was obvious to me, a trained veterinarian, that this pup needed a belly rub.

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To: [Blane Adcock](#)
Cc: [\(b\) \(6\) @yahoo.com](#)
Subject: Fwd: Undersecretary for Trade and USDA Reorganization
Date: Thursday, May 11, 2017 10:07:17 AM

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Dear USDA Family:

The United States has achieved an agricultural trade surplus, thanks, in large part, to the success of our producers and the work of USDA staff to help America's farmers, ranchers, foresters, and businesspeople access new markets. These combined efforts have sent the value of U.S. agricultural exports surging by more than 50 percent over the past six years. That progress has created jobs and fostered growth that is critically important for rural communities and our entire nation's economy.

Congress provided direction for USDA in the last Farm Bill to examine options for reorganizing the international trade functions at USDA and potentially creating a new Undersecretary for Trade and Foreign Agricultural Affairs. In addition, the President has asked his cabinet to deliver plans to improve the accountability and customer service provided by our departments.

Today, I wanted to let you know that the USDA is taking actions to meet those objectives.

USDA remains committed to focusing our constrained resources where they will be most effective—on pushing our record-breaking pace of trade and ensuring that opportunities exist throughout the country for Americans to participate in a transformational global economy. In particular, USDA continues to negotiate and support strong trade deals that will open up markets and help farms, ranches, forests, and production facilities grow, create jobs, and increase wages. This plan also details additional changes to our Department that will improve the effectiveness of USDA efforts to meet the needs of agricultural and forest managers and demonstrate increased accountability to the American taxpayer.

In order to advance agricultural trade, USDA intends to create an Undersecretary for Trade and Foreign Agricultural Affairs and realign the Foreign Agricultural Service to report to the new Undersecretary. In addition, to create a customer-focused culture of public service and improve service delivery to agricultural producers, USDA intends to create an Undersecretary for Farm Production and Conservation and realign the Farm Service Agency, the Risk Management Agency, and the Natural Resources Conservation Service to report to the renamed Undersecretary. USDA also intends to realign the Rural Development agencies to report directly to the Secretary to provide additional visibility for the investments being made in rural America.

Under the reorganization plan, the Undersecretary for Natural Resources and Environment will retain supervision of the U.S. Forest Service. A reduction in USDA workforce is not part of the reorganization plan.

These changes will have a number of positive effects:

- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->The growth in U.S. agricultural productivity has been unparalleled over the past 100 years. This reorganization improves the effectiveness of USDA to provide the customer service needed and expected by U.S. farmers.
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->By combining farm conservation programs with farm safety net programs, the Undersecretary for Natural Resources and Environment will be able to focus more attention on the crucial task of managing our national forests.
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->We are promoting the importance of Rural Development by placing it under the direct oversight of the Office of the Secretary. This will ensure that we can best leverage USDA's expertise with rural communities and new Administrative initiatives to focus on infrastructure investments in rural America.

USDA's report detailing the reorganization was transmitted to Congress this morning. You may click [HERE](#) to view the report on the USDA website. There is also an online submission tool for you to provide input and feedback, which you can find on [this page](#) hosted by the White House. We encourage you to offer additional recommendations on how USDA can be better structured to meet the needs of our stakeholders and the American public.

In the coming weeks, leadership of affected agencies will be reaching out to further explain the reorganization and provide some time for you to ask more questions.

Thank you for all of your dedication and work. Staff from affected mission areas will be contacted later today by their leadership with additional details.

Thank you,

Sonny Perdue
Secretary

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To: [Daniel Botts](#)
Subject: RE: Update on MCFA Stuff
Date: Wednesday, June 7, 2017 3:22:27 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

I will try you in the next 24 hours!



Rebeckah Freeman Adcock
Senior Advisor to the Secretary
Office of the Secretary
United States Department of Agriculture
Office: (b) (6)
Cell: (b) (6)
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

From: Daniel Botts [mailto:(b) (6)@ffva.com]
Sent: Wednesday, June 7, 2017 2:10 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Update on MCFA Stuff

Rebeckah,

Is there a convenient time for me to give you a call on a couple of items that are on MCFA's Action plan? I can be available at your convenience or if you want to just give me a call, the cell number below is the best way to get in touch.

Thanks,

Dan

Daniel A. Botts
Vice President, Industry Resources

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To: [Seth Ginther](#)
Subject: RE: Urgent Assistance Needed to Secure Rural Jobs for Wood Pellet Facility
Date: Friday, July 14, 2017 12:26:46 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Seth –

I understand that there is coordination occurring on this in Japan. Please keep us updated on progress.

Kindly,



Rebeckah

Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

From: Seth Ginther [mailto:(b) (6)@hf-law.com]
Sent: Monday, July 3, 2017 3:50 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Thomas Meth (b) (6)@envivabiomass.com) (b) (6)@envivabiomass.com>; John-Paul Taylor (b) (6)@envivabiomass.com) (b) (6)@envivabiomass.com>
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Date: Wednesday, July 5, 2017 10:04:18 AM
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Seth –

I am checking with FAS here to access the situation. Will be back to you as soon as possible.



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Subject: Fwd: USDA
Date: Thursday, August 10, 2017 4:39:15 PM

(b) (6)

Thank you for reaching out. We are having the initial round of staff realignment within our CIO's office at USDA, but true modernization has been ignored for a very long time we are looking for new department wide vision and leadership in the near future. I am on travel for the next week but will coordinate with our Chief of Staff as soon as I return. We will be back in touch later in the month.

Kindly,

Rebeckah Adcock

On Mon, Aug 7, 2017 at 21:33, Blane Adcock

(b) (6) wrote:

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(b) (6) Rebeckah, is a Senior Advisor to the Secretary of Agriculture. They are looking to fill a role there.

She can answer your questions.

Blane Adcock

On Aug 7, 2017 8:53 PM, (b) (6) (b) (6) wrote:
 Jason - Thank you for the introduction and kind words.

Blane - Nice to meet you (virtually). Definitely interested in learning more about the opportunity.

(b) (6)

 Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 7, 2017, at 7:03 PM, Jason Hess (b) (6) wrote:

Blaine meet (b) (6) he is one of the most talented seniors I have worked with. I think he would be a great fit for the (b) (6) role we discussed.

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Jason Hess

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To: [\(b\) \(6\) @cassidy.com](#)
Cc: [Bachmann, Peter - OCR, Washington, DC](#); [Johansson, Robert - OCF](#)
Subject: FW: USDA Section 32 Cranberry Purchase Ltr.
Date: Tuesday, July 11, 2017 2:41:01 PM
Attachments: [USDA Section 32 Purchases - Industry Letter.pdf](#)

Thank you Donna Jo.

Adding also others as FYI of your concern and the letter to USDA.

Rebeckah

From: Denison, Donna (WAS-CAS) [mailto:[\(b\) \(6\) @cassidy.com](#)]
Sent: Tuesday, July 11, 2017 2:34 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: USDA Section 32 Cranberry Purchase Ltr.

Rebeckah,

Attached is the cranberry industry letter in support of Section 32 cranberry purchases which will also be hand delivered today. As discussed in our recent meeting, the magnitude of the oversupply is that with the total crop size up over 56% (since 2010), and a record crop of 13.6 million barrels in 2016 the industry has over a year's product that has not been sold. Without the USDA purchases over the last few years many more producers would not be producing today.

Please let me know if there are any additional folks in the Secretary's office that we should be reaching out to or if I can provide any additional information.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Donna Jo

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July 11, 2017

The Honorable Sonny Perdue
Secretary
U.S. Department of Agriculture
Washington, DC 20510

Re: U.S. Cranberry Industry Request for Purchase of Cranberries Under USDA's Section 32 Farm and Food Support Program

Dear Secretary Perdue:

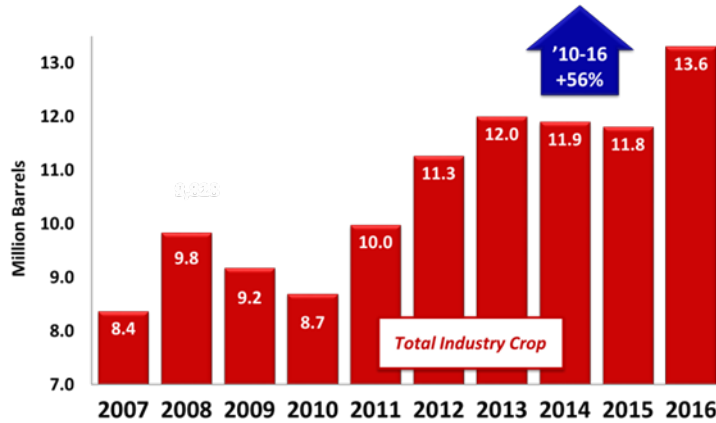
First, on behalf of the U.S. cranberry industry, congratulations on your recent confirmation as Secretary of Agriculture. The cranberry industry in the United States is located in Wisconsin, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Washington, and Oregon. It is comprised of about one thousand farms with a median farm size of under 25 acres. Our farmers are typically multi-generational family operations, and we take great pride in delivering the large majority of the world's crop. Although we're small compared to other crops, we are important contributors to our local and state economies: on and off the farm, cranberry agriculture provides \$3.6 billion in economic activity annually.¹ We look forward to working with you on the host of issues that impact cranberry farmers.

The purpose of this letter – which we send as the representatives of over 95% of the cranberries grown and handled in the United States – is to respectfully request that the Department of Agriculture make contingency purchases under its Section 32 Farm and Food Support Program for fiscal year 2017 of approximately \$50 million on 500,000 barrels of cranberry products.

The simple fact is that the U.S. cranberry industry is in the midst of an oversupply problem as a result of multiple consecutive years of high crop sizes. Inventories are now at record levels and prices have dropped significantly. A purchase of this nature is precisely in line with the purpose of the Section 32 program – to aid crops experiencing emergency surplus situations by removing products from normal marketing channels in order to help increase prices. By making such a purchase, the Department of Agriculture will help the U.S. cranberry industry avoid disaster as it continues to work its way out of this historic oversupply.

¹ Economic Impact of the North American Cranberry Industry. 2014. University of California at Davis. Alston, J., Medellin-Azuara, J. and Saitone, T.

The serious nature of the supply issues impacting the U.S. cranberry industry is difficult to overstate. Recent years have seen substantially increased crops, with the total crop size since 2010 up over 56%, and a record crop of 13.6 million barrels in 2016. (chart left).



Making matters worse, ending inventories now far exceed what they have historically been when the industry is in supply-demand balance. Farm returns have followed suit and dropped significantly, placing many small family cranberry farms across Wisconsin, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Washington and Oregon in dire financial shape. Without significant Section 32

purchases in fiscal year 2017, the situation is likely to become even more stark.

It is important to note that we understand these purchases must be only one tool in the cranberry industry's toolbox as it works to overcome current supply challenges. Said another way, the cranberry industry must help itself find creative ways to overcome the recent record crops. To that end, the industry is actively working to expand the global demand for our distinctively North American fruit (which is overwhelmingly grown in the United States). International sales growth continues to be a focal point, and expanding to new markets has resulted in U.S. cranberry exports increasing over 7% last year. In addition, the industry as a whole continues to spend millions on health research as a way to bolster the health credentials of our nutritious fruit, in order to help drive demand.

Another important tool the industry has the potential use of is a supply control in the form of a volume regulation under the cranberry industry's marketing order (7 C.F.R. §929.1, *et. seq.*), which would come at the recommendation of the Cranberry Marketing Committee and final approval by the Secretary of Agriculture. Because of the serious nature of the oversupply, we view a potential volume regulation as a tool that would complement, but not replace, the Section 32 purchases requested here.

In summary, we appreciate all the support that USDA has provided to the cranberry industry and thank you in advance for your consideration of this request for purchases under Section 32. We look forward to working with your staff to address the current surplus and further develop marketing opportunities abroad as well as within USDA food and nutrition programs.

On behalf of each of our organizations, we thank you for your kind consideration and support.

Sincerely,



Wisconsin State Cranberry Growers Assoc.



Cape Cod Cranberry Growers Assoc.



American Cranberry Growers Assoc.



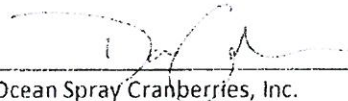
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Mariani Food Company



Ocean Spray Cranberries, Inc.

Cc: Charles W. Parrott, Deputy Administrator, Specialty Crops Program, USDA
Christopher Purdy, Associate Deputy Administrator, Fruit & Vegetable Program, AMS, USDA
Marc McFetridge, Agricultural Economist, AMS, USDA

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To: [Barber, Keith](#)
Cc: [Stearns, Lisa](#)
Bcc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Re: UT follow up
Date: Monday, October 2, 2017 3:48:12 PM

Keith and Lisa (and the whole UTIA family)-

The Secretary is so pleased with the his visit to UTIA - he remarked several times about how warm and welcoming everyone was - he was so impressed with AGDay and the campus. So much so that, despite his UGA roots, I think he may be slightly envious ;).

Love that video - thank you for sending the link - already told Communications they needed to pass it on.

My only criticism would be that, given that game and score, the Vols really did go a bit overboard with the hospitality. The Secretary is STILL smiling!

Very much hope to get back to a game soon and can't thank y'all enough for showing off the best UT has to offer!

This girl Volunteer proud in DC!

Rebeckah

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On Oct 2, 2017, at 3:02 PM, Barber, Keith (b) (6) [@utfi.org](mailto:)> wrote:

Rebeckah –

Glad you were able to join us on Saturday for the Ag Day and game festivities. I hope you told your family that we're so warm and welcoming that we allowed UGA to practice on our field Saturday afternoon.

Alas, it was a good day for the UTIA. Thank you for being a part of it. I noticed you videoed the *mAGic moments* clip. The video we showed was done in-house by our Director of Advancement Communications. Here is the youtube link: <https://youtu.be/0Al0Tf4QLjA>. And, here is the link to the full campaign: <http://tnmagicmoments.com/>. This effort was birthed from the hypothesis that those of us in ag do a great job of telling our story among ourselves, but we're lacking in getting the word out to an un/mis-informed general public. We need to be in front of the public's view on agriculture and this is one way we believe a

connection can be made. We'd be honored to speak about this further with you and the Secretary's team.

As I told you in the box, let me know when you can come back and perhaps we can see a better UT effort on the field.

Keith

Keith Barber, Ed.D.

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Subject: Re: (b) (6)
Date: Monday, September 11, 2017 9:36:03 AM

His Cv or resume?

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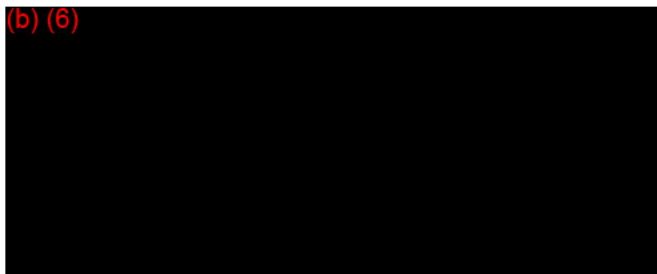
He did submit his expedition request.

Sent from my BlackBerry Smartphone on the Verizon 4G LTE Network

From: (b) (6) <[@bodenfruchtbarkeit.net](mailto:(b) (6)@bodenfruchtbarkeit.net)>
Sent: September 11, 2017 6:43 AM
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Cc: (b) (6) <[@lakevieworganicgrain.com](mailto:(b) (6)@lakevieworganicgrain.com)>
Subject: Re: (b) (6)

I have paid for my Visa application now and have handed in an Expedite Request, to have an interview tomorrow morning. My details are as follows:

(b) (6)



(b) (6). I will
 now focus on the presentation at Klaas' farm.

I can't express how thankful I am for your support!

Jan

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Jan-Hendrik Cropp
 under_cover GbR - Gemeinsam für die Bodenfruchtbarkeit

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 Germany

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Am 11.09.2017 um 12:21 schrieb Constance Cullman:

> Working on it! I hope the Skype presentation goes well today!
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 > Sent from my BlackBerry Smartphone on the Verizon 4G LTE Network
 > *From:* cropp@bodenfruchtbarkeit.net
 > *Sent:* September 11, 2017 3:22 AM
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 > *Cc:* (b) (6) @lakevieworganicgrain.com
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 > Dear Constance,
 > Dear Tim,
 > Dear Klaas,
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 > First off, I can't express how thankful I am for your support.

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 > I am also scheduled to be delivering two workshops in Vermont September
 > 25 & 26. See attached poster.
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 > I am due to fly out of the States on the September 28. My ticket is
 > attached. In between my commitments I am hoping to be doing be meeting
 > different professionals to network and exchange ideas.
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 > So far for my travel plans. Here is a short bio:
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 > Jan-Hendrik Cropp has been working for years in vegetable production and
 > arable farming as a farm co-manager. He has been active as a consultant
 > and presenter for soil health since 5 years through his business called

> under_cover. He acquired his knowledge through his own farming practice,
 > studied organic agricultural sciences and has done various soil health
 > research trips throughout Europe and North America (2014). His passion
 > and speciality are mulching systems for vegetable farms which he has
 > pioneered together with many colleagues over the last couple of years
 > and which he tries to underscore scientifically with various
 > on-farm-trials.

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 > I really don't know if we can pull this off, but I will be busy today,
 > speaking at Klaas' event via Skype. (b) (6)
 [REDACTED] We will
 > see.

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 > Thanks again so much for your support!
 > All the best,

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 > Jan

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>
 > Am 11.09.2017 um 03:16 schrieb kandmhfarm kandmhfarm:
 >> Hi Jan,

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 >> (b) (6)

[REDACTED]

>>
 >> I am on the BOD of Farm Foundation as are a many leaders of
 >> universities, companies, banks and government. Incidentally the former
 >> head of Bayer crop science in North America is a member of FF. He is
 >> now the head of the Noble institute, a private agricultural research
 >> institution. He is also the founder of the Soil Health Institute and he
 >> and I initiated the Soil Renaissance after a conversation we had about

>> soil health. That is the institute in North Carolina I referred to.
 >>
 >> I'm sure that we can get this taken care of eventually. (b) (6)
 [REDACTED] We will try.
 >> So far this is our best chance for help.
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 >>> Begin forwarded message:
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 >>> *From: *Constance Cullman <(b) (6)@farmfoundation.org
 >>> <mailto:(b) (6)@farmfoundation.org>>
 >>> *Subject: **Re: Help?*
 >>> *Date: *September 10, 2017 at 9:15:50 PM EDT
 >>> *To: *Klaas Martens (b) (6)@lakevieworganicgrain.com
 >>> <mailto:(b) (6)@lakevieworganicgrain.com>>
 >>> *Cc: *"Tim P. Brennan" (b) (6)@farmfoundation.org
 >>> <mailto:(b) (6)@farmfoundation.org>>
 >>>
 >>> Thank you Klaas - his research does indeed sound fascinating and
 >>> promising.
 >>>
 >>> I am sorry he ran into this - your theory does make sense. (b) (6)
 [REDACTED] Kudos to you
 >>> and Jan for figuring out a solution.
 >>>
 >>> (b) (6) let me know and have him
 >>> send along his bio and summery of his travel and I will take it up
 >>> with the Secretary's office.
 >>>
 >>> My apologies for not seeing your note yesterday.
 >>>
 >>> Good luck with the event and keep me posted!
 >>>
 >>> Constance
 >>>
 >>> Sent from my BlackBerry Smartphone on the Verizon 4G LTE Network
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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: (b) (6) [@cassidy.com](#)
Cc: [Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: RE: We are just getting to security
Date: Tuesday, June 13, 2017 11:00:00 AM

No worries - just come to 200 a and they will call us

-----Original Message-----

From: Denison, Donna (WAS-CAS) [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\) @cassidy.com](#)]
Sent: Tuesday, June 13, 2017 10:59 AM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: We are just getting to security

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Katie Fast](#)
Subject: Re: Wednesday
Date: Tuesday, July 18, 2017 5:37:21 PM

Let's shoot for 2pm tomorrow. 1400 Jefferson dr, whitten bldg, find me in 200a

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

> On Jul 18, 2017, at 4:57 PM, Katie Fast (b) [REDACTED]@ofsonline.org> wrote:
>
> Hope all is well!
>
> I'm in town and have some free time tomorrow, Wednesday, July 19th between 10:30 and noon and 1:30 to 3:00.
>
> Let me know if you are available.
>
> Katie
>
> Sent from my iPhone

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Anne MacMillan](#)
Subject: Re: Wednesday IA roundtable
Date: Tuesday, June 20, 2017 8:48:52 PM

Can't access the potus brief. Just know it's Ag tech at a community college. Very sorry.

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Jun 20, 2017, at 6:57 AM, Anne MacMillan (b) (6) @invariantgr.com wrote:

(b) (6) Don't let me bother you! I can ping others too.

Anne MacMillan
 Invariant
(b) (6)

On Jun 20, 2017, at 5:45 AM, Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
[<Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>](mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov) wrote:

Let me see what I can find out from here, I just know he'll be there
 but others may have move info.

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Jun 19, 2017, at 3:01 PM, Anne MacMillan
(b) (6) @invariantgr.com wrote:

Hey there lady-
 I have a new client [CiBO Technologies](#) that has interesting
 platform to answer some of ag's toughest questions and
 they are VERY interested in the POTUS roundtable in Iowa on
 Wednesday. I was wondering if you may have any additional
 details on who is attending? And/or meeting goals?

Thank you,
 Anne

Anne MacMillan
 Invariant
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(b) (6) M
(b) (6) @invariantgr.com

(Heather Podesta + Partners is now [Invariant](#))

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Wisman, Beth](#)
Subject: RE: When I need help finding someone in KY Agriculture...
Date: Friday, May 5, 2017 3:12:51 PM

Give me a call so I can pass along info to KYFB as well. Have spoken with the KY Dept of Ag but y'all need to know too.

(b) (6) work cell

-----Original Message-----

From: Wisman, Beth [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\)@kyfb.com](mailto:(b) (6)@kyfb.com)]
 Sent: Friday, May 5, 2017 2:00 PM
 To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
 Subject: Re: When I need help finding someone in KY Agriculture...

Rebeckah!!! I don't have it but let me see what can I do right now to get it!! Your secret is safe with me!

Sent from my iPhone

On May 5, 2017, at 1:18 PM, Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
 <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov<<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>>> wrote:

Hey Lady:

(b) (6). The new Secretary of USDA, Sonny Perdue may be in your neck of the woods in the near future - that's not public yet, and more details to follow for KYFB – soon. In the short term (like today), I need to have a conversation with Jeff Smith on the KY FSA board – do you have his number?

Thanks a ton,
 Reb

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Rebeckah Freeman Adcock

Senior Advisor to the Secretary
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United States Department of Agriculture
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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Don Parrish](#)
Subject: Re: When would be a good time to visit next week?
Date: Friday, July 28, 2017 6:13:38 PM

Ok

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Jul 28, 2017, at 5:03 PM, Don Parrish <[\(b\) \(6\)@fb.org](#)> wrote:

Have a great weekend...but need to visit next week.

Don R Parrish
American Farm Bureau Federation®
202-406-3667
[\(b\) \(6\)@fb.org](#)

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Don Parrish](#)
Bcc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Re: when you get a minute
Date: Monday, October 23, 2017 12:04:26 PM

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Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Oct 23, 2017, at 11:49 AM, Don Parrish (b) (6) [@fb.org](mailto: @fb.org)> wrote:

Let's visit. thanks

Don R Parrish
American Farm Bureau Federation®
202-406-3667
(b) (6) [@afb.org](mailto: @afb.org)

From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Joel Leftwich](#)
Bcc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Re: Where too for lunch?
Date: Wednesday, October 18, 2017 10:49:43 AM

So excited to leave the building! (If that sounds sad, it kinda is)

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Oct 18, 2017, at 10:42 AM, Joel Leftwich (b) (6) <[@gpg.com](mailto:(b) (6)@gpg.com)> wrote:

Done. (b) (6)

See you there

JTL

From: "Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC"
 <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Date: Wednesday, October 18, 2017 at 10:39 AM
To: Joel Leftwich (b) (6) <[@gpg.com](mailto:(b) (6)@gpg.com)>
Subject: Re: Where too for lunch?

(b) (6)

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Oct 18, 2017, at 10:38 AM, Joel Leftwich (b) (6) <[@gpg.com](mailto:(b) (6)@gpg.com)> wrote:

(b) (6)

JOEL LEFTWICH
Managing Director
 t. 202.337.0808 d. (b) (6)
 e. (b) (6) <[@gpg.com](mailto:(b) (6)@gpg.com)> w. gpg.com

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Shipman, Hunt \(EXT\) - RMA](#)
Subject: FW: WIC issue that has timeline
Date: Thursday, April 27, 2017 2:17:19 PM

For now, Heidi is picking up the Nutrition issues so reach out to her at Heidi.green@osec.usda.gov

From: Hunt Shipman [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\)@cgagroup.com](mailto:(b) (6)@cgagroup.com)]
Sent: Tuesday, April 25, 2017 5:17 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: Your Message

Roger. Thanks for sharing this info.

(b) (6)
Unfortunately, it's on a timeline, too as it relates to contracts that are being awarded by states under a deadline established by USDA.

Appreciate your guidance when you can.

HS

From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC [<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, April 25, 2017 5:14 PM
To: Hunt Shipman (b) (6)@cgagroup.com>
Subject: Your Message

Here you with contact info.

As far as WIC goes, let me investigate...still not many of us here so can't direct you just yet.

Rebeckah Freeman Adcock
United States Department of Agriculture

Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Chandler Goule - FAS Contact](#)
Subject: RE: Would you be able to share
Date: Monday, October 16, 2017 2:52:12 PM

Thanks much!

From: Chandler Goule [mailto:(b) (6) @wheatworld.org]
Sent: Monday, October 16, 2017 2:50 PM
To: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: Re: Would you be able to share

Sure, (b) (6)

Chandler Goule
 CEO- NAWG

On Oct 16, 2017, at 2:48 PM, Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
 <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

Roger Johnson's cell phone number?

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Shipman, Hunt \(EXT\) - RMA](#)
Subject: Your Message
Date: Tuesday, April 25, 2017 5:13:31 PM

Here you with contact info.

As far as WIC goes, let me investigate...still not many of us here so can't direct you just yet.

Rebeckah Freeman Adcock
United States Department of Agriculture

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202-690-2464 office

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Randy Green](#)
Cc: [Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: RE: YOUR VOICE MAIL
Date: Thursday, July 13, 2017 5:26:59 PM

Randy – I am starting from scratch on this one, so could we set up a phone call first to discuss the context of this issue and how the conversations have gone with Heidi and FSIS.

Rebeckah

From: Randy Green [mailto:(b) (6)@watsongreenllc.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 13, 2017 1:43 PM
To: Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC <Kristi.Boswell@osec.usda.gov>; Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: YOUR VOICE MAIL

Hi, Rebeckah – Just following up on this e-mail, wondering if there might be any day(s) in July when we could get together. Thanks!

From: Randy Green
Sent: Wednesday, July 05, 2017 3:08 PM
To: 'Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC'; 'Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov'
Subject: RE: YOUR VOICE MAIL

Thanks, Kristi. Rebeckah, if you would be willing to have a short conversation on the subject of the Netherlands' equivalency to sell processed egg products in the United States, as noted below, I am around most of July except for the 10-11 and the 18-20. If you would like me to e-mail some background before deciding, I'm happy to do that. Will look forward to hearing from you.

From: Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC [<mailto:Kristi.Boswell@osec.usda.gov>]
Sent: Wednesday, July 05, 2017 3:04 PM
To: Randy Green
Cc: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC
Subject: RE: YOUR VOICE MAIL

Randy,

Hi! I am looping in Rebeckah on this email. Based on our phone conversation regarding trade and an FSIS issue, I think she may be the best suited to meet with you all. She may need additional background.

I hope you had a great 4th of July!

Thanks,

Kristi J. Boswell
 Senior Advisor to the Secretary

United States Department of Agriculture

Office: (b) (6)

Cell: (b) (6)

From: Randy Green [mailto:(b) (6)@watsongreenllc.com]

Sent: Friday, June 30, 2017 2:15 PM

To: Boswell, Kristi - OSEC, Washington, DC <Kristi.Boswell@osec.usda.gov>

Subject: YOUR VOICE MAIL

Kristi – Thanks for trying to set up a meeting for our egg products folks. I completely understand that everyone was busy – my call was last-minute, so no problem at all. We did have a fairly successful meeting with FSIS, and I found out after you and I spoke that one of our member companies has previously met with Heidi on this same topic.

At this point, perhaps the best thing would be if we could find some time in the next few weeks when either you or someone you would designate would have some time (30 minutes or less) to discuss the issue with me and Oscar Garrison, who manages the egg processors division of our client. He would be coming up from Atlanta but is pretty flexible since he can do it as a day trip. I am out of town the 10th and 11th, and again the 18th through 20th, but otherwise around most of July. If there was a date or two that looked workable for you, I would do my best to get Oscar up here.

Enjoy your 4th and hope you have a fun holiday!



Randy Green
1010 Wisconsin Avenue NW, Suite 350
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202-384-1840 (o)
(b) (6) (c)

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RE: FINAL RESPONSE FOR 2018-OSEC-05938-F

Dear Ms. France and Mr. McGrath:

This correspondence and the accompanying records constitute the Departmental FOIA Office's (DFO) final response to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request submitted by American Oversight on September 4, 2018.

This response also responds to the matter of *American Oversight v. U.S. Department of Agriculture*, Civil Action No. 1:19-cv-00652 currently pending in the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia.

The pending Complaint in the above-referenced matter is based on USDA's alleged failure to comply with the applicable time-limit provisions of the FOIA in response to American Oversight's three records request for communications between USDA officials and various industry groups or lobbyists representing them. One of those three records requests were assigned 2018-OSEC-05938-F and sought:

All email communications sent by Rebeckah Adcock to external entities or individuals with email addresses ending in .org, .com or .net. Please provide all responsive records from April 1, 2017, to November 15, 2017.

Below are the details regarding the DFO's search efforts for the above referenced matter, records found in connection with the search, and a description of the FOIA exemptions applied to select records.

Search Efforts

A search for responsive records was conducted by the Office of the Chief Information Officer's (OCIO) telecommunications provider, Client Experience

Center (CEC). The CEC performs network services for the OCIO to include electronic messaging operations, electronic calendars, blackberry, mobile device management (MDM), file and print, remote access, voice, network, service desk, and other application services. The CEC searched the Outlook account associated with Rebeckah Adcock from April 1, 2017 to November 15, 2017. On April 30, 2019, a first interim totaling 649 pages from CEC's search was provided. Those records were Bates Stamped 000001 through 000649. Today's final response for **2018-OSEC-05938-F** includes the remaining 42 pages from CEC's search. These records are being provided to you with Bates Stamps 000650 through 000691.

Following a review of the responsive records, the DFO determined that certain information contained therein should be withheld pursuant to 5 U.S.C. §552(b)(6). Below is an explanation of the information withheld.

Application of 5 U.S.C. §552(b)(6) "FOIA Exemption 6"

FOIA Exemption 6 permits the government to withhold information regarding individuals in "personnel and medical files and similar files" when the disclosure of such information would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy and where such privacy interests outweigh any public interest which would be advanced by disclosure. For purposes of the FOIA, the public interest is advanced when disclosure of the requested information educates the public about the activities of the government.

Portions of the records produced as a result of the CEC's search efforts were withheld under FOIA Exemption 6. These items include cellular phone numbers, direct office numbers, email addresses not available to the public, and conference call access codes. This information qualifies as "similar files" because it applies to particular individuals. Release of the cellular phone numbers, direct office numbers, and email addresses not available to the public could subject individuals to unwarranted or unsolicited communications. As for the conference call access codes, participants have a privacy interest in ensuring no uninvited individual is listening in on the call.

Because there is a viable privacy interest that would be threatened by disclosure, and no outweighing public interest to be advanced by disclosure, FOIA Exemption 6 authorizes the DFO to withhold the information.

The DFO's review of responsive records for the other two records requests listed in the Complaint is ongoing. In light of the matter *American Oversight v. U.S. Department of Agriculture*, Civil Action No. 1:19-cv-00652 currently pending in the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, administrative appeal rights are not being provided in this response letter.

If you have any questions or concerns about this final response for 2018-OSEC-05938-F or the pending civil action, please contact Ms. Marsha Yee, Assistant United States Attorney, U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Division at (202) 252-2539 or Marsha.Yee@usdoj.gov.

Sincerely,

ALEXIS GRAVES Digitally signed by ALEXIS
GRAVES
Date: 2019.05.30 07:46:36 -04'00'

Alexis Graves
Departmental FOIA Officer
Office of the Chief Information Officer

Enclosure: Responsive Records (42 pages)

Copies to:

Marsha Yee, Assistant United States Attorney, U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Division
Christopher Elmore, Senior Counsel, U.S. Department of Agriculture, General Law and
Research Division

From: [Adcock, Rebecca - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Glick, Katie](#)
Cc: [Bechdol, Beth; Page, Tim A. - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: RE: [EXT] RE: URGENT - Your Assistance - Ice Miller Food/Ag Conference - Invitation to Speak - Oct. 10 - Indianapolis
Date: Monday, October 9, 2017 12:51:29 PM
Attachments: [Bla - R F Adcock 2017 FINAL.doc](#)

I will try to nab McKinney!

Bio attached.

From: Glick, Katie [\(b\) \(6\) \[REDACTED\]@icemiller.com](#)
Sent: Monday, October 9, 2017 12:42 PM
To: Adcock, Rebecca - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Bechdol, Beth [\(b\) \(6\) \[REDACTED\]@icemiller.com](#); Page, Tim A. - OSEC, Washington, DC <Tim.Page@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: [EXT] RE: URGENT - Your Assistance - Ice Miller Food/Ag Conference - Invitation to Speak - Oct. 10 - Indianapolis

Thank you for the quick response! I forgot about the holiday so I will tell our team to set-up as we are doing a video conference and we will wait to hear from your team in the morning and nail down final details.

Can you send me your bio please?

Also, we have asked Ted McKinney to join you so he can say hello to us all on his swearing-in day. He may be free at this time and could say hi at the start or sit with you for the entire time based on his availability. We would just need to know where you are so we can tell him.

Again, thank you very much!

Katie

Katie Glick
 Agribusiness Strategy Manager
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[\(b\) \(6\) \[REDACTED\]](#)

From: Adcock, Rebecca - OSEC, Washington, DC [<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>]
Sent: Monday, October 09, 2017 12:32 PM
To: Glick, Katie
Cc: Bechdol, Beth; Page, Tim A. - OSEC, Washington, DC
Subject: [EXT] RE: URGENT - Your Assistance - Ice Miller Food/Ag Conference - Invitation to Speak - Oct. 10 - Indianapolis

Katie – Our Communications team handles setting this up on our end and I am attempting to connect with the tech support to all your answers – note that today is a federal holiday so I am nearly only person in office...this may take until the am to get a solid answer.

As for seeing the audience that is not critical unless it's just as easy to do.

Reb

From: Glick, Katie [\(b\) \(6\) \[REDACTED\]@icemiller.com](#)
Sent: Monday, October 9, 2017 12:25 PM
To: Adcock, Rebecca - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Bechdol, Beth [\(b\) \(6\) \[REDACTED\]@icemiller.com](#); Page, Tim A. - OSEC, Washington, DC <Tim.Page@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: URGENT - Your Assistance - Ice Miller Food/Ag Conference - Invitation to Speak - Oct. 10 - Indianapolis

Hi Rebeckah,

I wanted to follow-up and see what your IT team said about a video conference? The company we are using said they need to know the service you are using and if you will want to see the audience. Then they can work from there.

Thank you!

Katie

Katie Glick
 Agribusiness Strategy Manager
[\(b\) \(6\) \[REDACTED\]@icemiller.com](#)
[\(b\) \(6\) \[REDACTED\]](#)

From: Glick, Katie
Sent: Sunday, October 08, 2017 12:53 PM
To: Adcock, Rebecca - OSEC, Washington, DC
Cc: Bechdol, Beth; Page, Tim A. - OSEC, Washington, DC
Subject: RE: URGENT - Your Assistance - Ice Miller Food/Ag Conference - Invitation to Speak - Oct. 10 - Indianapolis

Hi again Rebeckah,

I hope you've had a great weekend! We have worked on the agenda and heard from a fellow Hoosier who is willing to come back to Indiana and help us with our program as well. We would like to start the program at our original time at 1:30 with Beth introducing you followed by remarks from you for 15-20 minutes and then 10 minutes of questions from the audience until 2:00 p.m. Then Aaron will have a discussion with Beth for the remainder of our program.

Please let me know if that still works for you and what how your IT department handles these types of things. I can work on logistics with them and our team tomorrow.

Also, please send me your bio when you can as well. Thank you again for working with us!

Katie

Katie Glick
 Agribusiness Strategy Manager
[\(b\) \(6\) \[REDACTED\]@icemiller.com](#)
[\(b\) \(6\) \[REDACTED\]](#)

From: Adcock, Rebecca - OSEC, Washington, DC [<mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>]
Sent: Friday, October 06, 2017 7:26 PM
To: Glick, Katie
Cc: Bechdol, Beth; Bonfittio, Jordan P. EOP/WHO; Starling, Ray A. EOP/WHO; Page, Tim A. - OSEC, Washington, DC
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] RE: [EXT] RE: URGENT - Your Assistance - Ice Miller Food/Ag Conference - Invitation to Speak - Oct. 10 - Indianapolis

I will hold that time and connect with our IT folks re possibilities on our end.

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Oct 6, 2017, at 6:40 PM, Glick, Katie [\(b\) \(6\) \[REDACTED\]@icemiller.com](#) wrote

Hi Rebeckah,

Thank you for your work on this – we really appreciate it! And leave it up to our dear friend Ted for keeping everyone in DC!

We would really prefer to video conference with you to have a more engaging session and discussion with our audience. I know many of them are looking forward to hearing about the administration's priorities and work.
 I have a call into our AV guy to figure out how we set this up – hoping you can find a place at USDA for the video conference.

As for the timing for the session we would like to hold the 1 00-2 00 p.m. hour for you. Our Congressional panel is wrapping up at 1 00 then you would be on with Beth introducing you, your presentation and then Q&A. We can talk further about issues we were wanting to cover as well.

Please let me know if that time will work and I'll work with you or someone on staff to get a video conference set-up. THANK YOU again and we will all stay in touch!

Katie

Katie Glick

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Sent: Friday, October 06, 2017 5:01 PM

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Subject: Ice Miller Midwestern Food/Ag Conference - Invitation to Speak - Oct. 10 - Indianapolis
Importance: High

Ray

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Thank you for considering the invitation. I hope you can join us and look forward to hearing from you and meeting you sometime too!

Best regards

Beth Bechdol



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 Date: Friday, October 6, 2017 7:26:12 PM

I will hold that time and connect with our IT folks re possibilities on our end.

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I have a call into our AV guy to figure out how we set this up – hoping you can find a place at USDA for the video conference.

As for the timing for the session we would like to hold the 1 00-2 00 p.m. hour for you. Our Congressional panel is wrapping up at 1 00 then you would be on with Beth introducing you, your presentation and then Q&A. We can talk further about issues we were wanting to cover as well.

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Subject: RE: Contact to Discuss Ag and Rural Prosperity Ex Order
Date: Tuesday, May 16, 2017 10:04:28 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Yes, will do – meetings all am. Plan for a call after lunch.



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Rebeckah, Blake—

Would you please call/contact me at your earliest convenience this morning. Contact information below. Thank you.

Larry

On May 15, 2017, at 8:36 PM, Larry Pearce (b) (6)@governorscoalition.org> wrote:

Thanks, Doug. Will reach out to Rebeckah and Blake tomorrow morning.

Larry

Sent from my iPhone

On May 15, 2017, at 7:35 PM, Hoelscher, Douglas L. EOP/WHO <(b) (6)@who.eop.gov> wrote:

Hi Larry,

E-connecting you to a few members of the USDA team (Rebeckah and

Blake) who can help give the update or get the right person on the call.

Thanks for the outreach and opportunity to discuss the EO and initial implementation.

Sincerely,

Doug

From: Larry Pearce [mailto:(b) (6)@governorscoalition.org]
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To: Hoelscher, Douglas L. EOP/WHO
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Hi Doug,


Can you please suggest someone from the WH or USDA who can join the GBC's monthly conference call at **11 ET this Friday, May 19** to talk about the recent WH executive order to promote agriculture and rural prosperity?

BTW, several initiatives I've discussed with you are on hold until the end of the states' legislative sessions. We'll have the guvs' and staff attention after June 1.

Thanks.

Larry

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To: tim.page@nrcs.usda.gov; (b) (6) @fb.org
Subject: Fwd: Final agenda for Monday's conference
Date: Monday, July 10, 2017 6:09:51 AM

Leaving KY now. barring major traffic challenges, I should see you at 5pm straight from the road.

Tim, plan to be there regardless.

Rebeckah Adcock
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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Starling, Ray A. EOP/WHO" <(b) (6) @who.eop.gov>
Date: July 8, 2017 at 5:54:14 PM EDT
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This is perfect. I'm going to tell them to ask me a lot of questions and each time I get one I'm going to say "I'm not sure, but that's a good question for Heidi or Rebeckah."

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On Jul 8, 2017, at 3:00 PM, Mary Kay Thatcher (b) (6) @fb.org> wrote:

Thanks again to all three of you (and maybe four Rebeckah) for agreeing to meet with our group next week.

If you need anything before then, my cell is (b) (6) .

Mary Kay

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This is perfect. I'm going to tell them to ask me a lot of questions and each time I get one I'm going to say "I'm not sure, but that's a good question for Heidi or Rebeckah."

Ray A. Starling
 Special Assistant to the President
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Thanks again to all three of you (and maybe four Rebeckah) for agreeing to meet with our group next week.

If you need anything before then, my cell is (b) (6).

Mary Kay

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To: [\(b\) @nasda.org](#) **Bob Ehart**
Subject: RE: FSMA Implementation Briefing
Date: Monday, June 12, 2017 12:52:44 PM
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Disregard, I moved the conflict. 1p still works on my end.

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Sent: Monday, June 12, 2017 9:52 AM
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Bob, would it be possible to push the call to 1:30 today?

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Subject: Re: GA Speaker of House...FYI
Date: Monday, August 28, 2017 7:11:39 PM
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Yes, we have a nice buffet with a great view here at USDA.

Physical address is USDA, Whitten Building, 1400 Jefferson Drive, Washington DC.

Shelia will be awaiting the call from security desk when you are checked in. Lunch for 4 at 11:35 am and this Wednesday.

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Thanks for connecting. We are available starting at 11:30 AM for the meeting.
 Lunch sounds great if that offer stands. Please send me any pertinent details
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Subject: RE: Justin Clark Connection on Rural-RCAP
Date: Friday, July 7, 2017 5:22:05 PM

Hello, Nathan. Very glad to connect with you on this important effort. Also, adding in our new advisor on Rural Development, Anne Hazlett (and soon we will have even more help to introduce to work on these issues!).

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Nathan,

Given the topic, I might recommend you connect with Michael Harkins, who is working on the infrastructure effort. I'm also happy to connect you with Rebeckah Adcock at USDA who is managing the Task Force for Secretary Perdue. I've copied both of these folks on this e-mail.

-Ray

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Ed -

Happy you are meeting with USDA folks and am adding a couple of other senior staff to this chain who are specifically even more relevant to the conversation than me. Happy to meet at another time re the larger rural prosperity effort even though today at 4pm is booked for me.

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Thanks much Ray for the introduction.

Rebeckah, we'll be at USDA tomorrow at 4pm to discuss our rural broadband initiative with the following folks listed below, and Ray suggested we speak to you as well. If you can join the meeting at 4pm, great. Otherwise, we can set up a separate phone call with you later this week given our ag solutions expert, Ranveer Chandra, has to fly back to Seattle tomorrow night.

We're meeting with:

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Let me know what works best for you.

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Ed

From: Starling, Ray A. EOP/WHO [mailto:(b) (6)]@who.eop.gov]
Sent: Monday, July 10, 2017 7:15 PM
To: Ed Ingle (CELA) (b) (6)@microsoft.com>
Cc: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: Thank you for meeting this morning

Hey Ed –

I also enjoyed the meeting and have been talking about it all afternoon. Good stuff.

Rebeckah Adcock is managing the Task Force for Secretary Perdue at USDA. I've copied her on this e-mail.

I will send a subsequent e-mail and copy Dr. Shearer at OSU.

Thanks,
 -Ray

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Sent: Monday, July 10, 2017 2:10 PM
To: Starling, Ray A. EOP/WHO (b) (6)]@who.eop.gov>
Cc: Frank Cavaliere (CELA) <(b) (6)]@microsoft.com>; Ranveer Chandra (b) (6)]@microsoft.com>; Paula Boyd (CELA) (b) (6)]@microsoft.com>; Paul Garnett (b) (6)]@microsoft.com>
Subject: Thank you for meeting this morning

Ray:

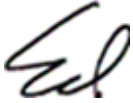
Thanks much for meeting with us this morning to talk about fast rural broadband and utilizing unused TV channel spectrum to create high value opportunities in particular for our nation's farmers.

In our meeting, you'd mentioned a couple of people at USDA who are driving a rural connectivity task force with whom we should also meet Rebecca Adcock and Scott Schearer (sp?). Can we get their email addresses and/or an email introduction to them, and we will do the followup?

As discussed, I will also reach out to Dale Moore at the American Farm Bureau, and will offer up that we brief him and his team on our rural broadband strategy.

Also, you were going to give Ranveer (copied) the contact information for a professor at Ohio State who is doing good work in the agriculture/precision farming area, so that we can compare notes.

Thanks again, and we'll be back in touch to report on our followup conversations.



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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Hudson, Bethany - OSEC, Washington DC](#)
Cc: [Starling, Ray A. EOP/WHO](#); [Stephen Briggs](#); [Hedgecock, Zane](#); [Waggett, Christina](#); [Jeff Thomas](#); [Peter Daniel](#); [Bonfitto, Jordan P. EOP/WHO](#); [Westcott, Nick - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Bcc: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: Re: Secretary's Visit - October 5th
Date: Monday, October 2, 2017 3:26:30 PM

I will be on as well

Rebeckah Adcock
 Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

> On Oct 2, 2017, at 3:18 PM, Hudson, Bethany - OSEC, Washington DC <Bethany.Hudson@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

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> Yes sir! Nick and I will join you then!

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Starling, Ray A. EOP/WHO [[mailto:\(b\) \(6\)@who.eop.gov](#)]

> Sent: Monday, October 2, 2017 2:56 PM

> To: Stephen Briggs <spbriggs@ncsu.edu>; Hedgecock, Zane <zane.hedgecock@ncagr.gov>; Waggett, Christina <Christina.Waggett@ncagr.gov>; Jeff Thomas (b) (6) @scottfarms.com>; Peter Daniel (b) (6) @ncfb.org>

> Cc: Bonfitto, Jordan P. EOP/WHO (b) (6) @who.eop.gov>; Hudson, Bethany - OSEC, Washington DC <Bethany.Hudson@osec.usda.gov>; Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>; Westcott, Nick - OSEC, Washington, DC <Nick.Westcott@osec.usda.gov>

> Subject: RE: Secretary's Visit - October 5th

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> All,

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> Still hoping we can all connect today at 5 p m. Call-in information below:

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> Participant Dial-In: (b) (6)

> Participant Code: (b) (6)

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> Thanks,

> -Ray

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Starling, Ray A. EOP/WHO

> Sent: Friday, September 22, 2017 4:18 PM

> To: 'Stephen Briggs' <spbriggs@ncsu.edu>; Hedgecock, Zane <zane.hedgecock@ncagr.gov>; Waggett, Christina <Christina.Waggett@ncagr.gov>; 'Jeff Thomas' (b) (6) @scottfarms.com>; 'Peter Daniel' (b) (6) @ncfb.org>

> Cc: Bonfitto, Jordan P. EOP/WHO (b) (6) @who.eop.gov>

> Subject: Secretary's Visit - October 5th

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> Steve, Zane, Chrissy, Jeff, and Peter,

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> Thanks so much for all of the thought and planning that has gone into making Secretary Perdue's visit to NC productive and enjoyable. It's going to be a full day!

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> I'd like for us to chat on Monday at 2 p m. just to walk through the plan for the day and see what questions come up. I hope to circulate a final itinerary before our call, but I've communicated with each of you individually and there are no major changes since we've last spoken.

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> If there are others from your organization that you believe should be on the call, please feel free to invite them. Peter and Steve, I did not want to presume that your principals would want to be a part of the nitty gritty walk through, but they are certainly welcome.

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> Info for the 2 p m. call on Monday, September 25:

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> Participant Dial-In: (b) (6)

> Participant Code: (b) (6)

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> Thanks,

> -Ray

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> Ray A. Starling

> Special Assistant to the President

> National Economic Council

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From: [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
To: [Murphy, Jr, James E.](#)
Cc: [Kirkland, William H. EOP/WHO](#); [Ferguson, Michael A.](#); [Jones, Christian B.](#); [Shuford, Campbell - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Young, Chris - OSEC, Washington, DC](#); [Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC](#)
Subject: RE: USDA Contact
Date: Thursday, May 11, 2017 11:35:49 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Hello, Jim. I am available most of the afternoon tomorrow if that works for your group's schedule?



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-----Original Message-----

From: Shuford, Campbell - OSEC, Washington, DC
 Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 11:32 AM
 To: Murphy, Jr, James E. (b) (6) @bakerlaw.com>; Young, Chris - OSEC, Washington, DC <Chris.Young@osec.usda.gov>
 Cc: Kirkland, William H. EOP/WHO (b) (6) @who.eop.gov>; Ferguson, Michael A. (b) (6) @bakerlaw.com>; Jones, Christian B. (b) (6) @bakerlaw.com>; Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
 Subject: RE: USDA Contact

Jim,

Unfortunately our Chief of Staff, Heidi Green, will not be in Washington D.C. tomorrow. The best resource for your group to meet with in the Secretary's office is Rebeckah Adcock, our Senior Policy Advisor. She is copied here and can coordinate with you on finding a good time tomorrow. She mentioned that the afternoon would be best.

Campbell

-----Original Message-----

From: Murphy, Jr, James E. [mailto:(b) (6) @bakerlaw.com]
 Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 10:42 AM
 To: Young, Chris - OSEC, Washington, DC <Chris.Young@osec.usda.gov>

Cc: Kirkland, William H. EOP/WHO (b) (6) @who.eop.gov>; Shuford, Campbell - OSEC, Washington, DC <Campbell.Shuford@osec.usda.gov>; Ferguson, Michael A. (b) (6) @bakerlaw.com>; Jones, Christian B. (b) (6) @bakerlaw.com>
 Subject: Re: USDA Contact

Campbell--

I just boarded flight and will be in the air for a bit. I should have wifi but I am including two of my colleagues at BakerHostetler, Mike Ferguson and Chris Jones, onto this email chain in case I'm out of touch and you are able to set something up for our friends at Alibaba. Thank you.

Jim Murphy

> On May 11, 2017, at 9:27 AM, Young, Chris - OSEC, Washington, DC <Chris.Young@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

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> I will not. I've copied my colleague Campbell to see if someone might be.

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> Sent from my iPhone

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>> On May 11, 2017, at 09:24, Murphy, Jr, James E. (b) (6) @bakerlaw.com> wrote:

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>> Chris--

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>> Would you and/or your colleague the COS be in town tomorrow and have time to meet with Alibaba execs?

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>> Jim

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>>> On May 11, 2017, at 12:07 AM, Young, Chris - OSEC, Washington, DC <Chris.Young@osec.usda.gov> wrote:

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>>> Dear Jim,

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>>> I apologize for my delay in responding. I am traveling at the moment.

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>>> Unfortunately, the Secretary will not be in Washington, DC, on Friday. (b) (6)
 So we won't be able to make this meeting happen.

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>>> But I do hope to meet you soon, too.

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>>> Chris

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>>> -----Original Message-----

>>> From: Murphy, Jr, James E. [mailto:(b) (6)@bakerlaw.com]
 >>> Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 8:06 PM
 >>> To: Kirkland, William H. EOP/WHO <(b) (6)@who.eop.gov>
 >>> Cc: Young, Chris - OSEC, Washington, DC <Chris.Young@osec.usda.gov>
 >>> Subject: Re: USDA Contact

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>>> Chris--

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>>> The President of Alibaba is making a last-minute visit to DC this Friday the 12th, and while recognizing this is a very last-minute request, I am reaching out to see if there is anyway that the Secretary might have some time to visit with him and a few other top executives while they are in town. As you may be aware, Jack Ma, Alibaba's Chairman, met with President Trump during the transition, and this meeting would be an extension of the effort that began then. Below provides who would attend, as well as background on their agenda for the meeting. I would appreciate you letting me know whether there's anyway to make this happen at this late date. I hope to have a chance to meet you in person sometime soon. Thank you.

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>>> Jim Murphy

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>>> Who:

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>>> Michael Evans, President Alibaba Group Eric Pelletier, Vice

>>> President, International Government Relations, Alibaba Group Bill

>>> Anaya, Head of US Government Relations

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>>> Topic:

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>>> Discuss Alibaba's commitment to President Trump to help create 1 million jobs in the USA, by helping farmers and small businesses to sell to the nearly 500 million active customers on Alibaba's marketplaces in China and Asia.

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>>> Alibaba has met with the Foreign Agricultural Service and they have been a great partner to make connections with regional agriculture export promotion organizations and other stakeholders. We appreciate Mark Slupek and his team.

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>>> We are hosting an event in Detroit on June 20-21 with Jack Ma and over 1000 businesses and farmers attending to make matches for buyers and to learn about their export opportunities in China. Governor Snyder and his Agriculture Department have provided important support and promotion of this opportunity with Alibaba. This is part of our commitment to the President and assisting US small businesses and farmers to grow their sales and jobs. We'd like to personally brief the Secretary and invite him to address the event.

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>>> Jim Murphy, Jr.

>>> Senior Advisor

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>>> From: Kirkland, William H. EOP/WHO <(b) (6) @who.eop.gov>

>>> Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2017 3:53 PM

>>> To: Murphy, Jr, James E.

>>> Cc: Young, Chris - OSEC, Washington, DC

>>> Subject: USDA Contact

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>>> Chris,

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>>> I wanted to introduce you to Jim Murphy. Jim has a few folks he is working with in the AG world many who have met with POTUS. Just wanted to connect y'all as he has a few folks in the AG world that would be very interested in potentially meeting with the Secretary.

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>>> Thanks,

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>>> Billy Kirkland

>>> Special Assistant to the President & Deputy Director White House

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From: Adcock, Rebecca - OSEC, Washington, DC
To: Glick, Katie; Carl, Garth - OC, Washington, DC; Holmes, Larry - OC, Washington, DC
Cc: Bechdol, Beth; Page, Tim A. - OSEC, Washington, DC
Subject: USDA contacts for Indy RE: [EXT] RE: URGENT - Your Assistance - Ice Miller Food/Ag Conference - Invitation to Speak - Oct. 10 - Indianapolis
Date: Monday, October 9, 2017 1:20:34 PM

Katie –

Our communications team members are cc'd here and ready to coordinate with you on this effort – Garth and Larry. Katie can connect you with IT in Indy.

Thanks all!
 Reb

From: Glick, Katie [mailto:(b)(6)]@icemiller.com
Sent: Monday, October 9, 2017 12:55 PM
To: Adcock, Rebecca - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Bechdol, Beth; (b)(6)]@icemiller.com>; Page, Tim A. - OSEC, Washington, DC <Tim.Page@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: [EXT] RE: URGENT - Your Assistance - Ice Miller Food/Ag Conference - Invitation to Speak - Oct. 10 - Indianapolis

Perfect – thank you! And just have your folks connect with me in the morning on logistics!

Katie

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From: Adcock, Rebecca - OSEC, Washington, DC [mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov]
Sent: Monday, October 09, 2017 12:51 PM
To: Glick, Katie
Cc: Bechdol, Beth; Page, Tim A. - OSEC, Washington, DC
Subject: RE: [EXT] RE: URGENT - Your Assistance - Ice Miller Food/Ag Conference - Invitation to Speak - Oct. 10 - Indianapolis

I will try to nab McKinney!

Bio attached.

From: Glick, Katie [mailto:(b)(6)]@icemiller.com
Sent: Monday, October 9, 2017 12:42 PM
To: Adcock, Rebecca - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Bechdol, Beth; (b)(6)]@icemiller.com>; Page, Tim A. - OSEC, Washington, DC <Tim.Page@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: [EXT] RE: URGENT - Your Assistance - Ice Miller Food/Ag Conference - Invitation to Speak - Oct. 10 - Indianapolis

Thank you for the quick response! I forgot about the holiday so I will tell our team to set-up as we are doing a video conference and we will wait to hear from your team in the morning and nail down final details.

Can you send me your bio please?

Also, we have asked Ted McKinney to join you so he can say hello to us all on his swearing-in day. He may be free at this time and could say hi at the start or sit with you for the entire time based on his availability. We would just need to know where you are so we can tell him.

Again, thank you very much!

Katie

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From: Adcock, Rebecca - OSEC, Washington, DC [mailto:Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov]
Sent: Monday, October 09, 2017 12:32 PM
To: Glick, Katie
Cc: Bechdol, Beth; Page, Tim A. - OSEC, Washington, DC
Subject: [EXT] RE: URGENT - Your Assistance - Ice Miller Food/Ag Conference - Invitation to Speak - Oct. 10 - Indianapolis

Katie – Our Communications team handles setting this up on our end and I am attempting to connect with the tech support to all your answers – note that today is a federal holiday so I am nearly only person in office...this may take until the am to get a solid answer.

As for seeing the audience, that is not critical unless it's just as easy to do.

Reb

From: Glick, Katie [mailto:(b)(6)]@icemiller.com
Sent: Monday, October 9, 2017 12:25 PM
To: Adcock, Rebecca - OSEC, Washington, DC <Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov>
Cc: Bechdol, Beth; (b)(6)]@icemiller.com>; Page, Tim A. - OSEC, Washington, DC <Tim.Page@osec.usda.gov>
Subject: RE: URGENT - Your Assistance - Ice Miller Food/Ag Conference - Invitation to Speak - Oct. 10 - Indianapolis

Hi Rebeckah,

I wanted to follow-up and see what your IT team said about a video conference? The company we are using said they need to know the service you are using and if you will want to see the audience. Then they can work from there.

Thank you!

Katie

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From: Glick, Katie
Sent: Sunday, October 08, 2017 12:53 PM
To: Adcock, Rebecca - OSEC, Washington, DC
Cc: Bechdol, Beth; Page, Tim A. - OSEC, Washington, DC
Subject: RE: URGENT - Your Assistance - Ice Miller Food/Ag Conference - Invitation to Speak - Oct. 10 - Indianapolis

Hi again Rebeckah,

I hope you've had a great weekend! We have worked on the agenda and heard from a fellow Hoosier who is willing to come back to Indiana and help us with our program as well. We would like to start the program at our original time at 1:30 with Beth introducing you followed by remarks from you for 15-20 minutes and then 10 minutes of questions from the audience until 2:00 p.m. Then Aaron will have a discussion with Beth for the remainder of our program.

Please let me know if that still works for you and what how your IT department handles these types of things. I can work on logistics with them and our team tomorrow.

Also, please send me your bio when you can as well. Thank you again for working with us!

Katie

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From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC [mailto:(b) (6)@osec.usda.gov]
Sent: Friday, October 06, 2017 7:26 PM
To: Glick, Katie
Cc: Bechdol, Beth; Bonfitto, Jordan P. EOP/WHO; Starling, Ray A. EOP/WHO; Page, Tim A. - OSEC, Washington, DC
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] RE: [EXT] RE: URGENT - Your Assistance - Ice Miller Food/Ag Conference - Invitation to Speak - Oct. 10 - Indianapolis

I will hold that time and connect with our IT folks re possibilities on our end.

Rebeckah Adcock
Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov

On Oct 6 2017 at 6 40 PM Glick Katie (b) (6) @icemiller.com wrote

Hi Rebeckah,

Thank you for your work on this – we really appreciate it! And leave it up to our dear friend Ted for keeping everyone in DC!

We would really prefer to video conference with you to have a more engaging session and discussion with our audience. I know many of them are looking forward to hearing about the administration's priorities and work.

I have a call into our AV guy to figure out how we set this up – hoping you can find a place at USDA for the video conference.

As for the timing for the session we would like to hold the 1 00-2 00 p.m. hour for you. Our Congressional panel is wrapping up at 1 00 then you would be on with Beth introducing you, your presentation and then Q&A. We can talk further about issues we were wanting to cover as well.

Please let me know if that time will work and I'll work with you or someone on staff to get a video conference set-up. THANK YOU again and we will all stay in touch!

Katie

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From: Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC [mailto:(b) (6)@osec.usda.gov]
Sent: Friday, October 06, 2017 5:01 PM
To: Glick, Katie; Bechdol, Beth
Cc: Bonfitto, Jordan P. EOP/WHO; Starling, Ray A. EOP/WHO; Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC; Page, Tim A. - OSEC, Washington, DC
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] RE: [EXT] RE: URGENT - Your Assistance - Ice Miller Food/Ag Conference - Invitation to Speak - Oct. 10 - Indianapolis

Katie –

Thanks to Ray for passing along this opportunity to speak to the conference next week. Because USDA will (finally!) be swearing in our Deputy Secretary and our first Undersecretary – Indiana's own Ted McKinney - next Tuesday, all senior staff are instructed to remain in DC for the ceremony.

That said I can offer to address the group by teleconference between 12 15 and 2pm if that is an option for Ice Miller? If that works please specify your preferred logistics.

Kindly

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From: Glick, Katie [mailto:(b) (6)@icemiller.com]
Sent: Friday, October 6, 2017 3:11 PM
To: Starling, Ray A. EOP/WHO (b) (6) @who.eop.gov; Bechdol, Beth (b) (6) @icemiller.com
Cc: Bonfitto, Jordan P. EOP/WHO (b) (6) @who.eop.gov; Adcock, Rebeckah - OSEC, Washington, DC (b) (6) @osec.usda.gov
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] RE: [EXT] RE: URGENT - Your Assistance - Ice Miller Food/Ag Conference - Invitation to Speak - Oct. 10 - Indianapolis

Thank you for connecting us, Ray. Please keep us posted if anything changes with your schedule or if you are able to connect via video conference anytime between 1 30-3 30 p.m. that day.

Rebeckah, Beth and I are available to speak further this afternoon to talk through the conference program and details further. Please let us know if that will help move the approval process along further. Thank you!

Katie

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From: Starling, Ray A. EOP/WHO [mailto:(b) (6)@who.eop.gov]
Sent: Friday, October 06, 2017 2:59 PM
To: Bechdol, Beth
Cc: Bonfitto, Jordan P. EOP/WHO; Glick, Katie: Rebeckah.Adcock@osec.usda.gov
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] RE: [EXT] RE: URGENT - Your Assistance - Ice Miller Food/Ag Conference - Invitation to Speak - Oct. 10 - Indianapolis

All

I'm copying Rebeckah here and will leave it to her to be in touch if she's able to swing making it.

Thanks
-Ray

Ray A. Starling
Special Assistant to the President
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On Oct 6 2017 at 2 10 PM Bechdol, Beth (b) (6) @icemiller.com wrote

Ray

Sounds like we may have a shot at getting Rebeckah to come out from what Katie shared of your conversation. THANK YOU very much for connecting with her and working to help us fill this important spot on our

program. I know that it took us a lot of time to get through all of your necessary travel clearances to join us so would hope that this is not a limiting factor for her. I really don't want to go into this weekend and then Monday without some certainty that this may work for her....so would appreciate your thoughts on the reality of getting this locked in today. I'm happy to connect with Rebeckah this afternoon as well!

It's because of the urgency that we also threw out the idea to you of having you video conference in to the event....we have some flexibility in the afternoon timeframe for the program so could certainly loop you in at a time that would fit for you and even if it wasn't for a full hour as we thought. I'll tell you that this is my own best next option because I know how much guests were looking to hear you – and this path would still keep you on the program.

Let me know your thoughts....and thanks again!

Beth

From: Starling, Ray A. EOP/WHO [mailto:(b) (6)@who.eop.gov]
Sent: Friday, October 6, 2017 12:59 PM
To: Bechdol, Beth
Cc: Bonfitto, Jordan P. EOP/WHO; Glick, Katie
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] RE: [EXT] RE: URGENT - Your Assistance - Ice Miller Food/Ag Conference - Invitation to Speak - Oct. 10 - Indianapolis

On it.

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On Oct 6 2017 at 12 30 PM Bechdol Beth (b) (6)@icemiller.com> wrote

Ray

I would appreciate your checking with Rebeckah if you could – we have just heard back from Brian Klippenstein and he can't get to Indy on Tuesday either. Thanks for any help or connections you can make for us to her!

Beth

From: Starling, Ray A. EOP/WHO [mailto:(b) (6)@who.eop.gov]
Sent: Thursday, October 5, 2017 10:03 PM
To: Bechdol, Beth
Cc: Bonfitto, Jordan P. EOP/WHO; Glick, Katie
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: URGENT - Your Assistance - Ice Miller Food/Ag Conference - Invitation to Speak - Oct. 10 - Indianapolis

Beth,

There is pretty much nothing I have dreaded more in recent days than finding out today that I wasn't going to be able to make this. I've looked forward to it for weeks and we've made all the preparations, including flight plans, ground transportation, etc. I was just as excited to hear your other speakers as I was to be a part of the program.

I have a call into Ted McKinney in the event he might be in town (in Indy) next Tuesday, although I suspect he will be here since he's waited so long to be confirmed. He might even be traveling officially out of the country. I've also left Brian Klippenstein a voicemail. I'm on the road tomorrow and will have time to ring them again. I also could recommend Rebeckah Adcock at USDA, who would be a great stand in and who could talk about the regulatory reform work with great fluency. I will also touch bases with her in the morning.

Let's stay in touch.
 -Ray

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] URGENT - Your Assistance - Ice Miller Food/Ag Conference - Invitation to Speak - Oct. 10 - Indianapolis
Importance: High

Ray

We heard from Jordan the disappointing news that you are no longer able to join us on Tuesday in Indianapolis. We are really sorry – as you can well imagine – to hear this given the feedback we had from people excited to hear from you.

You can likely appreciate that we are scrambling to fill that space on the program. I am trying to reach out to some of my ag policy/lobbyist friends in DC to see if we can beg or bribe them to come out next week. Jordan mentioned to Katie the idea of Brian Klippenstein and I wondered if you could reach out to him and encourage him to try and come out and stand in for you. I don't know Brian well and was hoping as a member of the Administration's team you might have the ability to connect with him more quickly and some way to encourage him to try and come.

We know that these scheduling conflicts can come up quite unexpectedly. Thanks for your support of the event – and thanks for any help you can give us in connecting with Brian.

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Subject: Ice Miller Midwestern Food/Ag Conference - Invitation to Speak - Oct. 10 - Indianapolis
Importance: High

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Let me start with an introduction – my name is Beth Bechdol and I serve as the Director of Agribusiness Strategies for the Midwestern law firm Ice Miller LLP – headquartered in Indianapolis. I am also the outgoing/past chair of the National FFA Board of Trustees and share a lot of DC and Indiana connections with you. I'm sure. I spent 10 years in DC – working on the Senate Ag Committee and in USDA (FFAS Mission Area) under Secretary Veneman.

I have heard great things about your support inside the Administration from Riley Pagett (who shared your email address with me and is copied here) and Mark Poeschl and also from Kip Torn, Ted McKinney and some of our other Indiana ag leaders. Thanks for your service and commitment to food and agriculture!

The reason for my email is to invite you to speak at an upcoming conference our firm is hosting in Indianapolis (at the downtown Marriott) on October 10. The program will focus on the first year of the Trump administration and what significant policy and regulatory changes have been made along with their implications. The conference, entitled *A Year Like None Other – What Comes Next?*, is being organized by our national Food and Agribusiness practice and will feature other keynote speakers and panels made up of experts alongside our attorneys who will discuss a variety of topics including environmental issues and regulations, immigration and the capital market and business climate, among others. The audience will primarily be made up of food and agribusiness leaders in Indiana and our neighboring states Ohio and Illinois but clearly other business, civic, and state leaders will attend as well.

I'd like to ask you to speak during a session that will run from 1:00 – 2:15 and start with some observations by our Congressional members. We would plan to have start the session with a 45 minute conversation and then would transition to you for the remaining 45 minutes for the "other view" – the Executive Branch view – from inside Washington on key issues and themes.

We have attached a draft agenda for the full conference for your background. We have invited several members of our Indiana Congressional Delegation along with Ray Starling, Special Assistant for Agriculture to the Trump Administration and others to highlight our day. With your experience and insights into the dynamics and happenings in the White House along with your view from the outside would be tremendously beneficial in setting the state and to kick-off our conference. Your connection to Indiana and various key leaders in our state is appreciated as well.

I am happy to discuss the details of the event with you. Please let me know if you have questions or need any additional information.

Thank you for considering the invitation. I hope you can join us and look forward to hearing from you and meeting you sometime too!

Best regards

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